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# THE HIGHLAND, PATTON, MAXWELL, EARLE, MORRIS GENEALOGIES

## LOCAL AND STATE HISTORY IN THE FORM OF A FAMILY TREE

In this volume are included two chapters of genealogical history by Scotland G. Highland. These narratives are of unusual value because they present a mass of facts, many of which affect the very life currents of West Virginia. The collection and articulation of this information cost a prodigious amount of time and money. It is fortunate that this valuable material may be published in a volume of general circulation because heretofore it has not been available to students of our state history nor to the public at large. While the matter is presented in a style different from that ordinarily used in a popular history, and while it goes farther into minute detail than the average reader will want to go, it is nevertheless of an interesting character and provides the history student with source material not elsewhere available. If, as Emerson says, "there is properly no history except biography" then the innovation of including a chapter of important genealogy is entirely justifiable from the standpoint of history writing. It is certain that the State is yet in need of much more research work of the nature of that presented here, and it is also certain that future investigators will find valuable assistance in the paths that have been blazed and the data that have been developed in the two brief chapters which we are permitted to append herewith. M. P. S.

## HIGHLAND, PATTON, EARLE, MAXWELL GENEALOGY AND HISTORY

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Dedicated by the author to his maternal ancestor  
JOHN SMITH, Born 1655  
Great Grandfather of  
ROBERT FULTON

Born at Fulton House, Fulton (then Little Britain) Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, November 14, 1765; died in New York, February 24, 1815.

An Historical and Genealogical Narrative, the Result of Research Through a Period of Twenty-two Years

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ONE OF THE MANY APPRECIATIVE LETTERS  
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December 26, 1926.

Mr. Scotland G. Highland,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.

My dear Mr. Highland:

On our return from a Christmas trip up the Hudson, I found your interesting and valuable contribution to the genealogical query often mentally asked but never before answered, "Who was Mary Smith." Her name on my ancestral chart has often prompted further research, but I never could have so patiently and thoroughly traced the story as you have done. So far I have had time for only a cursory review of the many ramifications of the Smith family tree.

I had heard before of Colonel Robert Smith, and knew he was a relative; and I have wondered if his father rendered any Colonial service, or if Joseph Smith did, for I would like to enter their names as supplementaries in my Colonial Dames list. I am glad to see that you are a member of the Colonial Wars' Organization, and others of like interest. I would also greatly like to know the surname of Joseph Smith's wife, Isabel—.

But first let me thank you most warmly for sending this delightful Christmas gift, the newspaper full of data. I hope to hear that it will be put in more permanent form, and also that it will be made available to the students at the New York Public Library, the Genealogical Society, and the Historical Society, for the information so patiently dove-tailed should be preserved for genealogical students.

Would you be so kind as to ask that a dozen copies of the paper be reserved for my order, which I will forward tomorrow?

In haste, but with high regard and all good wishes for 1927.

Sincerely,

ALICE CRARY SUTCLIFFE.

(Mrs. Arthur Taylor Sutcliffe, Great-Granddaughter of Robert Fulton.)





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John Smith, born in 1655, in County Monaghan, Province of Ulster, Ireland, was the father of several children: John, born 1686, who came to America in 1720; Mary, born circa 1702, and Joseph, born 1704, both of whom probably migrated with their brother, John Smith, before named, in 1720, and promptly on their arrival proceeded to what was then called the "Brandywine Settlement," in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania.

#### A STAUNCH PRESBYTERIAN

John Smith was a staunch Presbyterian, and warmly attached to that church in Ireland. He was descended from a branch of the Macdonald clan of Scotland, which flourished there in the twelfth century, and later established itself in County Antrim, Ireland, where the clan acquired a permanent footing in the year 1400. Surnames were frequently bestowed in early times on account of some personal peculiarity, or from some incident in a man's history, and this name became in time adopted as the family name.

During the seventeenth century, the Smith family removed from Antrim, journeying sixty miles to the southwest, into County Monaghan, where in 1655 John Smith and those of his children included in this history were born.

The Smiths of this chronology were farmers in the early years of the eighteenth century, who held their lands under lease. When their leases expired in 1718, not only was an increased rental demanded as a condition of their renewal, but the tenants were required to subscribe to the doctrinal articles of the Church of England, under the provisions of what was rather absurdly called the "Toleration Act."

#### MIGRATION FROM PROVINCE OF ULSTER

Neither of these conditions was tolerable to these sturdy people, who were staunch Presbyterians, and as they had but



little property interest in Ireland, and no hereditary attachment to its soil, they decided to follow the current which was then setting westward so strongly across the Atlantic that it threatened to depopulate the whole Province of Ulster. Six thousand persons came from that province to America before 1729, and before the middle of the eighteenth century the migration was at the rate of twelve thousand annually for several years.

#### CHILDREN OF JOHN SMITH, BORN 1655

The emigrant children of John Smith, born in 1655, in County Monaghan, Province of Ulster, Ireland, who are known to us were:

I. John Smith, born 1686; died 1765.

II. Mary Smith, born circa 1702; married William Fulton, circa 1728.

III. Joseph Smith, born 1704; died May 27, 1760.

#### JOHN SMITH, JUNIOR, BORN 1686.

I. John Smith, born 1686, in County Monaghan, Province of Ulster, Ireland, emigrated to America in 1720, and died in Uwchlan, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, December 19, 1765. He married in Ireland in 1713, Susanna, born in Ireland in 1691, who died in Uwchlan, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, December 24, 1767. Fifteen children were born to this union, three of whom were born in County Monaghan, Ireland, one during the passage across the ocean in 1720, and the remaining eleven in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania. Of these children, nine married and reared families in America, and their history will be discussed presently; Samuel Smith never married; Jacob Smith migrated to the Golden West in the early days, and may have left descendants; tradition states that the four other children died in infancy.

#### THE BRANDYWINE SETTLEMENT

The Brandywine Settlement in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, where John Smith and his sister and brother, Mary and Joseph, settled in 1720, developed in the first half of the eighteenth century into a great Scotch-Irish community.

#### RELIGIOUS ANIMOSITIES AMONG PIONEERS

Racial and religious animosities were prevalent and deep among the hardy pioneers, who, though desiring individual free-





dom of worship, thought it could best be obtained by each sect, if its members settled where no one wanted to worship in a way differing from their own.

John Smith, son of John Smith, born 1686, the emigrant maternal ancestor under consideration, settled as previously stated, in 1720, in what is now Upper Uwchlan Township on the Conestoga Road, where Black Horse Creek crosses it, and near the confluence of that stream with Marsh Creek, both being tributaries of the east branch of the Brandywine Creek. The place is about two miles west of Byers station, on the Pickering Valley Railroad.

Very soon after his arrival in America, he bought a farm in Uwchlan Township. The house built by him on this farm is at present a substantial stone dwelling.

John Smith and Susanna, his wife, prospered in their new place for nearly half a century. In 1756 and 1757, he was one of the subscribers to the support of the Presbyterian Church in the forks of the Brandywine; the edifice is known today as the "Brandywine Manor Church."

#### GRAVESTONE INSCRIPTION

John Smith and his wife, Susanna, were both buried in the eastern one of the two graveyards attached to that church, and their tombstone, a large slab of marble, covering a rectangular erection of stone masonry, bears the inscription:

"Sacred to the memory of John Smith, who died December 19, 1765, AEtatis 79, and Susanna, his wife, who died December 24, 1767, AEtatis 76, parents of fifteen children.

An honest man's the noblest work of God!

The virtuous woman's a crown to her husband!

John Smith's will was made February 12, 1761, and the codicil was executed January 16, 1764. The will was proved May 28, 1766. Letters were granted to the executors, his sons, John and Abraham, August 26, 1766.

The will named his daughter, Mary Smith Lewis, who married in 1760, Alexander Lewis (whose history we give later in this article), and all other children then living.

#### CHILDREN OF JOHN SMITH, BORN 1686

After the death of his widow, Susanna, in 1767, John Smith's farm was sold in final settlement of the estate. It was bought by a grandson of Henry Lewis. The original farm is still owned by the estate of Isaac Lewis, who was one of that family.



The children of John Smith, born 1686, and Susanna, born 1691, were:

1. James Smith, born 1719; died December, 1785.
2. John Smith, died in 1803.
3. Abraham Smith, exact date of birth not known.
4. Robert Smith, born at sea in 1720; died December, 1803.
5. Isaac Smith, born 1739; died August 20, 1807.
6. Jacob Smith, died unmarried before 1761.
7. Elizabeth Smith, married Michael Graham.
8. Susanna Smith, born 1721; died May 5, 1796.
9. MARY SMITH, born circa 1735; died May 11, 1799, who married in 1760, in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, Alexander Lewis, who was born 1730, and died December 13, 1814, in Harrison County, Virginia; to which union numerous families in Harrison, Lewis, Doddridge and Randolph counties, West Virginia, trace their ancestry.
10. Samuel Smith, never married, and died prior to 1761.
11. Sarah Smith, born 1740; died January 30, 1807.

#### JAMES SMITH, SON OF JOHN SMITH

1. James Smith, born 1719, died December, 1785, in Highland Township, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania. He married in 1744, Sarah Wilson, who was born 1724, and who died July 11, 1812. She was the daughter of Hugh Wilson, of Fallowfield Township, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, and his wife, Ann. Hugh Wilson died in 1725.

James Smith owned and lived upon a farm one and one-half miles south of Parkesburg in what is now Highland Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania. This was his home from 1749 to 1780, in which year he sold it to his son, James. He is buried in the graveyard belonging to and adjoining the Upper Octorara Presbyterian Church.

His will dated April 12, 1782, was probated January 6, 1786. He left his sons, James and John, each a plantation, and legacies in money to each of his children. His widow, Sarah Wilson Smith, is buried in Upper Octorara churchyard.

The children born to this union were: James, Susanna, John, Gideon, Martha and Levi Smith.

#### JOHN SMITH, SON OF JOHN SMITH

2. John Smith, of East Caln Township, Chester County, near Downingtown, province of Pennsylvania, was united in marriage with Miss Ann Wilson, daughter of Hugh and Ann Wilson, of





Fallowfield Township, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania. She was a sister of Sarah Wilson, wife of his brother, James. John Smith's name is on the list of those who were owners of land in East Caln Township, and also in Uwchlan Township in 1774. On May 5, 1761, he and Matthew Robertson were granted by the proprietors of the Province of Pennsylvania a patent for the land on which was built the Brandywine Manor Presbyterian Church; this land they conveyed, May 18, 1761, to Reverend John Carmichael, the pastor, and to the trustees of the church. The church edifice which was built at that time was the third in which this congregation worshipped. The first was built of logs in 1734; the second was a frame building erected in 1744; the third was a substantial stone building, the largest then existing in northwestern Chester County.

John Smith was appointed an ensign in Captain William Porter's Company of the Associated Regiments of Chester County, February 8, 1748. He was one of the executors of his father's will.

John Smith left no will. He died in 1803, and letters of administration upon his estate were granted to Robert Smith and James Hayes, October 20, 1803.

The children born to this union were James and Edward Smith.

#### ABRAHAM SMITH, SON OF JOHN SMITH

3. Abraham Smith, known as Colonel Abraham, was united in marriage with Miss Ann Wilson, a cousin of the Miss Ann Wilson, who married Abraham's brother, John; and a daughter of Joseph Wilson, of West Fallowfield Township, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, who was born 1701, and died June 26, 1751, and his wife, Janet McCrea, born 1705, died April 8, 1759. She was the daughter of William McCrea.

Born to this union, John Smith.

#### ROBERT SMITH, SON OF JOHN SMITH

4. Robert Smith was born at sea enroute to America, in 1720, and died in Uwchlan Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, in December, 1803; he married, December 20, 1758, Miss Margaret Vaughan, who was born November 1, 1735, and died March 18, 1822, daughter of John Vaughan, of Red Lion, Uwchlan township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, and his wife, born Emma Parry. These latter named were both of Welsh families and were of the Baptist faith. John Vaughan, who was born June 5, 1690, and died May 24, 1750, first appears on the records



of Chester County in 1718. His wife, born 1700, died 1791, was a daughter of Rowland Parry, who was born in 1665, and died in 1737. He lived in Haverford, now Delaware County, Pennsylvania.

After Robert Smith's death, his widow spent part of her time at the home of General Matthew Stanley, whose wife was her husband's niece. Her wedding ring is still in existence. It is a plain gold ring, bearing the inscription on the inside, "As God decreed, so we agreed."

Robert Smith was, from 1747 to 1758, one of the subscribers to the support of the Reverend Andrew Boyd, pastor of Brandywine Manor church. He was a sergeant, in 1757, during Indian uprisings, and in August, 1775, he was thanked by the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania for an invention which proved of value in the defense of Philadelphia.

#### MEMBER PENNSYLVANIA CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

Robert Smith sat in the convention, which, on the 28th of September, 1776, adopted the first Constitution of Pennsylvania, an important and thoughtful document which, besides embodying other advanced ideas, has the distinction of having been the first to enact religious liberty into law.

#### COLONEL IN REVOLUTIONARY WAR

When it was seen that the war upon which the country had entered was one which would call for all its resources, Robert Smith was chosen for the work of giving organization and preliminary discipline to the forces of his native county, then the second in population in the state. On the 12th of March, 1777, he was appointed by the Supreme Executive Council, Lieutenant of Chester County, Pennsylvania. This office, the name and duties of which were somewhat analogous to those of the King's lieutenants in the counties of the mother country, gave him, with the rank of Colonel, the charge of raising and preparing in every way the troops to take the field in the Revolutionary War. They remained under his control until called into active service. He held this position until March 21, 1786, during which period great sums of money passed through his hands.

Besides his duties as County Lieutenant, he was elected Sheriff of Chester County, Pennsylvania, March 29, 1777, and was again chosen to that office November 21, 1778.





A little while ago I stood at the grave of  
 Alexander Lewis  
 Great-great-great grandfather of  
 VIRGIL LEE HIGHLAND  
 President of The Empire National Bank  
 Clarksburg, West Virginia

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Great-great grandfather of  
 WILLIAM BRENT MAXWELL  
 President of The Union National Bank  
 Clarksburg, West Virginia

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Great-great grandfather of  
 LUCINDA EARLE PATTON HIGHLAND  
 of West Milford  
 Harrison County, West Virginia

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Great-great-great grandfather of  
 SCOTLAND G. HIGHLAND  
 Author of  
 this genealogical and historical story

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A little more than 114 years have made vivid American history since a simple marker was erected at the grave of Alexander Lewis, who was born in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, in 1730, and who died at Lost Creek, Harrison County, in the state then called Virginia and now West Virginia, December 13, 1814, aged eighty-four years.

#### BURIED IN HARRISON COUNTY CEMETERY

The cemetery in which he sleeps is often called "The Old Frame Church Cemetery" and was established by the Seventh Day Baptist Church. It is situated on the county road within a few hundred yards of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway station, at Lost Creek, Harrison County, West Virginia.

The tombstone was photographed on Friday, August 27, 1926. The inscription reads

"In Memory of Alexander Lewis; Departed this life  
 December 13, 1814, aged 84 years."

Alexander Lewis married, in 1760, Miss Mary Smith, 1735-1799, daughter of John Smith, 1686-1765, of Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, and Susanna Smith, 1691-1767. She was the granddaughter of John Smith, born in County Monaghan, Province of Ulster, Ireland, in 1655, who was the maternal great-grandfather of Robert Fulton, 1765-1815.



## STATE LOAN OFFICE TRUSTEE

Robert Smith served for one term in the State Legislative Assembly in 1785, and was a trustee of the State Loan Office, whose function it was to manage the indebtedness of the state. This position he held until 1787, at which time he retired to private life. His life was prolonged for sixteen years more, which years were spent on his farm in Uwchlan, where he was active until an advanced age.

## A PRESBYTERIAN ELDER

He was a staunch Presbyterian, a supporter throughout his life of the services of the Brandywine Manor Presbyterian Church, of which he was, from 1776, a ruling elder.

He owned, in his later life, two fine farms in Uwchlan Township, on the Conestoga Road, where it crosses Black Horse Creek, near its confluence with Marsh Creek, a tributary of the east branch of the Brandywine.

His will, which is dated May 5, 1800, and was probated January 16, 1804, leaves the plantation on which he lived to his wife for her life. It still belongs to the estate of Isaac Lewis, a relative of Alexander Lewis, who married, in 1760, Robert Smith's sister, Mary Smith; to which union hundreds of West Virginia folk directly trace their ancestry.

## ISAAC SMITH, SON OF JOHN SMITH

5. Isaac Smith, born 1739, died in Trenton, New Jersey, August 20, 1807; he married, in December, 1763, Miss Mary Pennington, and their home was on King street, now Warren street, Trenton, where the American Hotel stood in 1905.

## A GRADUATE OF PRINCETON

Isaac Smith was graduated at Princeton College before he was twenty years of age, and was made a tutor immediately after his graduation. William Dean, the scholarly and devoted pastor of the Brandywine Manor Church from 1743 to 1748, first turned young Smith's thoughts toward the getting of a better education. The records of Princeton College show that Isaac Smith was graduated there in 1755. After his graduation, he remained in Princeton as a tutor for a year, and seems to have continued his studies, as he was given, in addition to his A. B. degree, in 1755, that of A. M. in 1758. He then took up the





study of medicine, and was graduated from the medical school of the University of Pennsylvania in 1762. He settled in Trenton, New Jersey, where he married in 1763; and he made that town his residence during the remainder of his life.

#### SUPREME COURT JUSTICE, 1777-1805

In the controversy which brought about the alienation of the American colonies from the mother country, he took the popular side, and at the outbreak of the war he was colonel of the First Regiment of Hunterdon County, New Jersey. He and Samuel Tucker constituted a committee charged with the conduct of public affairs, and in that capacity he received at 9 o'clock A. M., April 24, 1775, the news of the battle of Lexington, which had been fought five days before, and forwarded the tidings by messenger to Philadelphia, then the seat of government.

Upon his election in February, 1777, by the Legislature of New Jersey, associate justice of the Supreme Court of New Jersey, he resigned his military position. The other members of this court were Robert Morris, chief justice, and John Cleves Symmes, associate justice. He continued to sit in this court for twenty-eight years; a longer period than anyone else has held that office. At the close of his fourth term, in 1805, as party spirit ran high in the reaction from federalism, which had been dominant from 1789 to 1801, he failed to be reelected. He was also judge of the United States District Court, which had admiralty jurisdiction.

#### HEADS BANKING INSTITUTION

After his retirement from the bench, he became first president of the Trenton Banking Company, which office he continued to hold until his death, August 20, 1807.

#### MEMBER OF CONGRESS, 1796-1797

He was a member of Congress in 1796-7. In 1797 he was appointed, by President Washington, commissioner to treat with the Seneca Indians. President John Adams, April 12, 1798, advised the United States Senate that a treaty negotiated by Hon. Isaac Smith with the Mohawk Indians had, by accident, long lain neglected, and the President submitted it to the Senate for consideration. It does not appear why, having been accredited to the Senecas, he should have concluded a treaty with the Mohawks; but so the record stands.



### INTERESTED IN MEDICINE

With all these public duties, it is said that Isaac Smith never lost his interest in the profession of medicine, though he necessarily withdrew to a great extent from its practice.

Judge Elmer, in his *Recollections*, says of him: "Isaac Smith was a physician, but he appears to have made of himself a pretty good lawyer." And L. F. Halsey, in his address before the New Jersey Society of the Cincinnati, July 4, 1890, said that during Isaac Smith's career in Congress "he was noted for his integrity and wisdom in public affairs."

### THE PERSONAL SIDE

It is recorded of him that he was a tall and a very heavy man, and this may have had something to do with his determination not to pursue an active military career.

### GENERAL WASHINGTON'S RECEPTION

Mary Pennington Smith, wife of Isaac Smith, took an active part in welcoming General Washington when he passed through Trenton in April, 1789, on his way to New York for his first inauguration as President. This was an occasion of elaborate ceremony. General Washington was very much gratified by the reception, and expressed his feelings in a note which he commissioned Rev. J. F. Armstrong to deliver to the ladies, who assembled at Mrs. Smith's house to hear it read. The note was long preserved in Mrs. Smith's family, and was left by her to her adopted daughter, Miss Lydia Imlay, who, shortly before her death, willed it to Chief Justice Ewing.

Mrs. Smith died in 1801. Her tombstone bears the inscription: "She was what a woman ought to be."

The record of Isaac Smith's tombstone is: "With integrity and honest intentions as a physician and judge, to the best of his ability, he distributed health and justice to his fellow men, and died in hopes of mercy through a Redeemer."

Born to this union: Edward Smith.

### JACOB SMITH, SON OF JOHN SMITH

6. Jacob Smith. Nothing is positively known of him. He probably died unmarried, before 1761, though there are, or were recently, persons living in the West who supposed themselves to be descended from him. They were, however, unable to trace their descent, and were probably in error as to their ancestor.





## ELIZABETH SMITH, DAUGHTER OF JOHN SMITH

7. Elizabeth Smith was united in marriage, in 1745, with Michael Graham, of West Nantmeal Township, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, who was a son of James Graham, of Honeybrook Township, living where the Village of Honeybrook is today. Michael Graham's will is dated January 24, 1759, but was not probated until October 11, 1775, which was shortly after his death. In it he devises his farm, which was a large one, to his sons, Michael and John, provides for his wife, "Elizabeth Smith, otherwise Graham," and for his sons, James and Abraham, when they came of age; mentions also his daughters, Susanna, Margaret, Elizabeth and Eleanor, and makes Michael and John his executors. From the peculiar wording of the will, it seems probable that Michael and John were children of his first wife, and that Elizabeth Smith was the second wife. She appears on the church records as a contributor to Brandywine Manor Presbyterian Church from 1746 to 1752.

The children born to this union were: James, Abraham, Susanna, Margaret, Elizabeth and Eleanor Graham.

## SUSANNA SMITH, DAUGHTER OF JOHN SMITH

8. Susanna Smith, born 1721, died May 5, 1796; married, in 1756, Thomas Armstrong, who was born in 1705, in Caddy, County Armagh, Ireland, and died February 2, 1782. He was a land owner in Oxford Township, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, in 1774, and resided at Fagg's Manor, Chester County, Pennsylvania.

Thomas Armstrong was treasurer of Fagg's Manor Presbyterian Church in 1755 and about 1780. His first wife was Esther Moore, by whom he had several children. Susanna Smith was his second wife, and she, he and several of their children are buried in the Fagg's Manor churchyard. His will, dated August 3, 1781, probated June 12, 1782, mentions the children of his first and second marriages.

The children of the second union were: Susanna, Sarah, Robert, Margaret, Jane and Thomas Armstrong.

## MARY SMITH, REVERED DAUGHTER OF JOHN SMITH

9. MARY SMITH, born in what is now Upper Uwchlan Township, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, about forty miles from Philadelphia, circa 1735; died at Weston, Harrison County, Virginia, now West Virginia, August 11, 1799. She was



the daughter of John Smith, 1686-1765, and Susanna Smith, 1691-1767; and was united in marriage in 1760, with Alexander Lewis, who was born 1730, and died at Lost Creek, Harrison County, Virginia, now West Virginia, December 13, 1814. The descendants of this pioneer couple will be traced presently in this genealogical story. Hundreds of Harrison County and northern West Virginia folk are direct descendants of Alexander Lewis and Mary Smith Lewis.

#### SAMUEL SMITH, SON OF JOHN SMITH

10. Samuel Smith, son of John Smith, 1686-1765, and Susannah, his wife, 1691-1767, never married, and died before 1761, as no mention of him is made in his father's will, which was dated February 12, 1761. We are sorry that no friendly text can appear today under his good name, because of lack of facts. But in spite of this lack of information his memory is none the less revered.

#### SARAH SMITH, DAUGHTER OF JOHN SMITH

11. Sarah Smith, daughter of John Smith, 1686-1765, and Susanna, his wife, 1691-1767, was born 1740, in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, and died January 30, 1807; she married, June 17, 1766, Samuel Cunningham, of Nantmeal Township, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, who was born in 1732. He was of Scotch-Irish descent, as were most of the people in that section of Chester County. He is named in 1774 among the taxables of Nantmeal Township, which was then of much wider extent than it is at present. West Nantmeal included, till 1752, the territory now belonging to Wallace Township. The western boundary of Wallace now comes at one point within one mile of Brandywine Manor Church, and it was probably in this part of Nantmeal that Samuel Cunningham lived.

Samuel Cunningham was a farmer and a builder. Fagg's Manor Church, in Londonderry Township, Chester County, was built by him in 1775, and he had, as master carpenter, charge of the rebuilding of Brandywine Manor Church in 1761-62 and of its building again after its destruction by fire in 1786-1787.

#### A REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIER

He served during the Revolutionary war, in 1777, as a lieutenant in Colonel Nichols' regiment of General Stark's brigade, and was at one time a staff officer of the Second Pennsylvania





Regiment. He and Robert Smith, his brother-in-law, were two of nine incorporators to whom a charter for Brandywine Manor Church was granted in September, 1786. He was one of the trustees of the church at that time.

#### MEMBER PENNSYLVANIA CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

Samuel Cunningham was a member of the first Constitutional Convention of Pennsylvania, which met July 15, 1776; a member of the Pennsylvania Assembly in 1776 and 1777; a collector of excise, appointed November 26, 1778, and a County Court justice, appointed August 26, 1791, and holding that office for many years thereafter. He died June 26, 1806, and is buried with his wife in the eastern graveyard at Brandywine Manor Church, Chester County, Pennsylvania.

The children born to this union were: Jane, John, Susanna, Sarah, Margaret and Samuel Cunningham.

(This concludes the individual records of James, John, Abraham, Robert, Isaac, Jacob, Elizabeth, Susanna, Samuel and Sarah Smith, ten in number, brothers and sisters of Mary Smith, 1735-1799, who married, in 1760, Alexander Lewis, 1730-1814, to which union hundreds of northern West Virginia folk trace their ancestry.)

#### MARY SMITH, BORN 1702, DAUGHTER OF JOHN SMITH, BORN 1655

We now return to Mary Smith, born circa 1702, who came to America, the second of the three emigrant children of John Smith, born 1655, who never left Ireland, and who is the ancestor of all the Smiths comprising this list.

#### MARY SMITH MARRIED WILLIAM FULTON

II. Mary Smith, born circa 1702, in County Monaghan, Province of Ulster, Ireland, was the daughter of John Smith, born in County Monaghan, Ireland, in 1655, and the sister of John Smith, born 1686, and Joseph Smith, born 1704, with whom she probably emigrated to America, unmarried, in 1720. She married circa 1728, William Fulton, and probably settled, a little later, in Little Britain Township, Lancaster County, Province of Pennsylvania, about thirty miles to the west of the home of her brother, John Smith, in the Brandywine settlement, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania. William Fulton, the Fulton ancestor, was born in Ireland, and was a grandson of William



Fulton of Kilkenny, Ireland, who was born 1600, and died 1667. The Fultons were of Saxon origin; and crossed from Scotland to Ireland, and from Kilkenny, Ireland, to America.

The history of William Fulton, who married Mary Smith, must be taken from somewhat discrepant accounts, but the foregoing seems to reconcile fairly the authorities.

It was well remembered in the family of Robert Smith, born at sea in 1720, died in Uwchlan Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, in December, 1803, nephew of the above mentioned Mary Smith, who married William Fulton circa 1728, that the occasional visits of the family to their aunt Mary Fulton required great preparation. Provision for man and beast was necessary for the journey, which seemed, at least to the younger members of the family, only less important than a return across the ocean to the old home, would have been.

#### ROBERT FULTON, SENIOR, SON OF WILLIAM FULTON

Born to this union: Robert Fulton, who was probably born in Lancaster County, Province of Pennsylvania, in 1730, and died in 1774. He married, in 1759, Mary Smith, who was born in 1734, and died in 1799, on a farm in Washington County, Pennsylvania. She was his first cousin, being a daughter of Joseph Smith, born 1704, died 1760, and Isabel, his wife, of Oxford Township, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania. The will of Joseph Smith, dated May 22, 1760, probated June 12, 1760, names his wife and children and says that his daughter, Mary Smith, married Robert Fulton.

#### THE TWO MARY SMITHS

The occurrence of the two Mary Smiths in different generations has made some confusion in the several published accounts of the ancestry of Robert Fulton, the inventor.

#### ROBERT FULTON, SENIOR, BUYS FARM

Robert Fulton, Senior, was originally a tailor of Lancaster, Province of Pennsylvania. The records show that he bought, August 23, 1759 (apparently at the time of his marriage) the brick dwelling at the northeast corner of Center Square and East King Street, in the City of Lancaster, Province of Pennsylvania. The part of the property which faces the streets is now owned by the estate of B. F. Eshleman, deceased. There





was some additional land behind, which has gone into adjoining properties, and a little of it is in the property owned by George W. Tomlinson's estate, in which property Harry E. Hendren now (1926) has a cigar store.

Robert Fulton lived in that house until February 8, 1765, when he sold it to Edward Shippen, of Philadelphia. On November 8, 1764, he had purchased at sheriff's sale, a farm in Little Britain (now Fulton) Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, to which he removed the following spring. The farm contained  $393\frac{3}{4}$  acres and allowance, and cost 965 pounds. Fulton placed a mortgage upon it in favor of Joseph Swift, William West and Samuel Purviance, of Philadelphia. The venture proved too ambitious for him, and November 29, 1766, the farm passed into the possession of the mortgagees. It was sold under foreclosure, February 5, 1772, and purchased by Joseph Swift for 805 pounds.

Fulton returned to Lancaster, Province of Pennsylvania, in 1771, where he died in 1774. He was buried in the cemetery attached to the First Presbyterian Church of Lancaster, of which church he was one of the founders. There is no monument; in fact, some years ago, a chapel was built over the old cemetery, and the stones were taken out. Some of them are still in the cellar of the chapel.

Robert Fulton, Senior, was a conspicuous and useful citizen. He was secretary of the Union Fire Company and a charter member of the Juliana Library of Lancaster, the third library in the American Colonies (1763).

#### TAUGHT BY HIS MOTHER

His wife, Mary Smith, as previously stated, was his first cousin, a daughter of Joseph Smith. The widowed mother, Mary Smith Fulton, taught young Fulton to read, and sent him, when nine years of age, to the school of Caleb Johnson, a Quaker Tory. His first achievements toward fame and fortune were as a successful painter of portraits and miniatures.

#### CHILDREN OF ROBERT FULTON AND MARY SMITH

Born to this union:

1. Margaret Elizabeth Fulton (Scott).
2. Isabella Fulton (Cooke).
3. ROBERT FULTON, born November 14, 1765; died February 24, 1815.



4. Abraham Smith Fulton.

5. Mary Fulton (Morris).

Of the five children born to Robert and Mary Smith Fulton, above mentioned, the record of Robert Fulton only will hereafter be traced.

#### BORN IN LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

Robert Fulton, born at Fulton House, November 14, 1765, on a farm in the Township of Little Britain (now Fulton Township), Lancaster County, Province of Pennsylvania, being the third child and eldest son, died in New York, February 24, 1815; he was united in marriage in New York, January 7, 1808, to Miss Harriet Livingston, daughter of Walter Livingston. She did not long outlive her husband.

In 1844, Little Britain Township was divided and the section set off into a new township on the western side was named FULTON, in honor of the inventor.

Robert Fulton received a common school education in Lancaster, Province of Pennsylvania, and showed, while at school, evidence of great mechanical ingenuity.

#### ENGINEER, INVENTOR AND ARTIST

Robert Fulton was an American engineer, inventor and artist. He launched the first steamboat on the Seine, August 9, 1803, and the *Clermont*, the first on the Hudson River, August 17, 1807. On October 1, 1807, the *Clermont* embarked sixty passengers from Albany to New York and made the trip in twenty-eight hours.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS ABROAD

He went to Philadelphia at the age of seventeen, and supported himself there, first as a silversmith and afterwards as a mechanical draughtsman and miniature painter. He had, in 1785, a studio at Second and Walnut streets. At the age of twenty-one, his father being dead, he purchased for his mother and sisters a farm of  $84\frac{3}{4}$  acres in Hopewell Township, in Washington County, Pennsylvania, paying therefor eighty pounds. The deed is dated May 8, 1786. He went to London, England, in 1786, and spent some years there. He was a pupil of his countryman, Benjamin West, 1738-1820, the Chester County painter, one of the four original members and the second president of the Royal Academy. With West he maintained a constant friendship until death separated them. He was intimately acquainted





with the Duke of Bridgewater, 1736-1803, Earl of Stanhope, 1753-1816, and James Watt, 1736-1819, the Scottish inventor, who built the engine for Fulton's *Clermont*; and it was partly through their influence that he was led to devote his attention to engineering. He went to Paris in 1797, and while there lived in the house of Joel Barlow, 1755-1812, an American poet, patriot, diplomat and the author of our national poem, "The Columbiad," which poem Barlow dedicated to Robert Fulton.

His career as an inventor of steamboats, or rather as the successful adapter of steam to the propulsion of vessels, and also as the inventor of the torpedo for use in submarine warfare, is well known.

In a letter to his mother, dated London, England, July 31, 1789, and addressed to her in Hopewell Township, Washington County, Pennsylvania, Robert Fulton, the inventor, expressed his pleasure over the news that his good old grandmother (Mary Smith Fulton, born circa 1702, widow of William Fulton) was in good health.

#### BUSINESS ASSOCIATE OF THE SMITHS

He was an intimate friend of Jonathan Smith, 1767-1839, and Joseph Smith, 1770-1845, who were his second cousins, and who were pecuniarily interested in his inventions, and in some of his business ventures.

In 1803, at the joint expense of himself and Robert R. Livingston, 1746-1813, chancellor of New York and minister of the United States to the French court, he constructed a boat on the River Seine, by which he fully demonstrated the practicability of propelling boats by steam.

#### FULTON RETURNS TO AMERICA IN 1806

Robert Fulton returned to America after twenty years' absence, December 13, 1806. On October 31, 1814, he launched the steam battleship frigate *Fulton the First*, the first steam war vessel of the world, 2,475 tons and thirty-two guns.

Among Fulton's inventions were machines for spinning flax, for making ropes, and for sawing and polishing marble.

The aid of the historian, or biographer, is hardly necessary to preserve the name of Fulton. He is identified with the age in which he lived, and so long as a knowledge of the power of steam remains, tradition will perpetuate the inventions and the character of Robert Fulton.





### LOWLY IN HIS ORIGIN

Lowly in his origin, needy in circumstances, and devoid in his youthful career of the appliances of wealth and the patronage of friends, he possessed a mind and a temperament that enrolled him in the ranks of genius, and his self-dependence enabled him to command the one and to disregard the other.

He smoothed for himself the rugged road to power, and when standing on its lofty eminence, he relaxed not the effort by which he had attained his elevation.

### THE DEATH OF ROBERT FULTON

The announcement of the death of Robert Fulton, February 24, 1815, in New York City, was accompanied by all those tokens of regret which mark the decease of a great public character. His corpse was attended to its last resting place by all the public officers of the city, and by a larger concourse of citizens than had ever been assembled on any similar occasion.

He was buried from his home, Number 1 State Street, New York City, and lies in the Trinity churchyard, in the family vault of Walter and C. C. Livingston, sons of Robert Livingston, of Livingston Manor, New York.

### THE CHILDREN OF ROBERT FULTON

In person, Robert Fulton was somewhat over six feet, slender, but well proportioned and well formed. In manners he was cordial, cheerful and unembarrassed; in his domestic relations eminently happy. He has left behind him, independent of his public career, an unsullied reputation and a memory void of reproach.

Four children were born to this union:

1. Robert Barlow Fulton, died, unmarried, at an early age.
2. Julia Fulton, married Charles Blight. She died in 1848, leaving three children.
3. Cornelia Livingston Fulton, married Edward Charles Crary, June 20, 1831. Four children were born to this union.
4. Mary Livingston Fulton, married Robert Ludlow. They had one son.

The only direct descendants of Robert Fulton, the inventor, born in Little Britain Township, Lancaster County, Province of Pennsylvania, November 14, 1765, and died in New York, Febru-



ary 24, 1815, who was a son of Robert Fulton and Mary Smith Fulton, the latter a granddaughter of John Smith, born in 1655; and also a grandson of William Fulton and Mary Smith Fulton, the latter the daughter of John Smith, born in 1655; and who are now living follow:

The five children born to the union of the late Rev. Robert Fulton Crary, D. D., and Agnes Boyd Van Kleeck, his wife, daughter of the Rev. Robert Boyd Van Kleeck, D. D., a descendant of a colonial pioneer, namely:

1. Amy Crary.
2. Cornelia Fulton Crary.
3. Alice Crary Sutcliffe, a forceful and brilliant author, wife of Arthur Taylor Sutcliffe.
4. Edith Livingston (Smith).
5. Robert Fulton Crary, Junior, and their respective young children.

The two sons of Ella Cornelia Crary, granddaughter of Robert Fulton, who married Herman H. Cammann, namely:

1. Edward Crary Cammann.
2. H. Schuyler Cammann, and their respective young children.

And the one surviving grandson, Robert Fulton Ludlow.

Charles Franklin Crary, unmarried, another grandson of Robert Fulton, died at his home in New York, October 28, 1926, aged eighty-seven years.

Hon. Charles M. Van Kleeck, who is now (1928) vice president of the Fulton Trust Company of New York, is a grandson of the late Rev. Robert Boyd Van Kleeck, D. D., before named. He is a first cousin to Alice Crary Sutcliffe, the author, who is a great-granddaughter of Robert Fulton, the inventor.

There are no descendants of Robert Fulton bearing his surname.

#### JOSEPH SMITH, SON OF JOHN SMITH, BORN 1655

Having generously disposed of John Smith, born 1686, and Mary Smith, his sister, born 1702, in County Monaghan, Province of Ulster, Ireland, we now reverently record the name of Joseph Smith, born in 1704.

III. Joseph Smith, born 1704, in County Monaghan, Province of Ulster, Ireland, died in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, May 27, 1760. He was a son of John Smith, born in County Monaghan, Ireland, in 1655, and a brother of John Smith, born 1686, and of Mary Smith, born circa 1702, with





whom he probably emigrated to America in 1720. His wife was named Isabel, with whom he was united in marriage in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, in 1730.

He lived in Oxford Township, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, about twenty-five miles southwest of his brother, John Smith's, home.

Joseph Smith's will, dated May 22, 1760, probated June 12, 1760, names his wife, Isabel, and their children; speaks of his daughters, Mary and Elizabeth, as married—the former to Robert Fulton, and the latter to James Criswell—and of his brother, John Smith.

Nine children were born to this union, as follows: Robert, John, Mary, born 1734, married in 1759 to Robert Fulton, father of the inventor, born 1730, died 1774; Elizabeth, Isabel, Esther, Martha, Joseph and Abraham Smith.

(This is the third and last of the three emigrant children of John Smith, born in County Monaghan, Province of Ulster, Ireland, in 1655, the children arriving in America in 1720.)

#### MARY SMITH, DAUGHTER OF JOHN SMITH, BORN 1686

9. MARY SMITH, born in what is now Upper Uwchlan Township, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, forty miles from Philadelphia, circa 1735, died at Weston, Harrison County, Virginia, now West Virginia, August 11, 1799. She was one of the fifteen children, eleven of whom reached maturity, born to John Smith (son of John Smith, born 1655), born 1686, in County Montghan, Province of Ulster, Ireland, who died in the Brandywine Settlement, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, December 19, 1765, and Susanna Smith, his wife, born in Ireland in 1691, who died in the Brandywine Settlement, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, December 24, 1767.

#### MATERNAL ANCESTORS OF THE PATTON, HIGHLAND, MAXWELL CLAN

MARY SMITH, 1735-1799, was united in marriage in 1760, in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, with Alexander Lewis, who was born in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, in 1730, and died at Lost Creek, Harrison County, Virginia, now West Virginia, December 13, 1814, aged eighty-four years. He was buried in the Lost Creek churchyard, where a tombstone with legible inscription marks his grave. The ances-



try of the Lewis family will be given at another time. Alexander Lewis and Mary Smith Lewis, his wife, came to Harrison County, Virginia, circa 1799. They were accompanied by Alexander Smith Lewis, a son, and his wife, Mary; William Patton, a son-in-law, the husband of their daughter, Susanna, and their children; Jane Lewis Maxwell, a daughter, widow of Thomas Maxwell, who died in 1796, and their children; and possibly other children then living.

#### ALEXANDER LEWIS OWNED LARGE ACREAGE

Alexander Lewis was on the tax lists of West Caln Township, Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, 1765, as owner of 200 acres of land, and in London Grove Township, Chester County, as owner of 150 acres, which he purchased from David Ramsey, February 6, 1771.

Alexander Lewis owned 100 acres in Windsor Township, York County, Pennsylvania, which he sold, January 6, 1778, to Peter Winter, for fifty pounds. The land was purchased by Alexander Lewis from Andrew Stuart.

#### LANCASTER COUNTY HOLDINGS

While a resident of London Grove Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, Alexander Lewis purchased, March 7, 1780, 260 acres of land in Colerain Township, situated on a branch of the Octorara Creek, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, for the consideration of 6,000 pounds.

He purchased, on April 7, 1780, 128 acres on a branch of the Octorara Creek, a tributary of the Susquehanna River, Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, at the price of 6,300 pounds, current money of the State of Pennsylvania.

On February 15, 1782, Alexander Lewis still resided in London Grove Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, purchasing on that date of George Churchman and Benjamin Hough, of Cecil County, Maryland, three parcels of land in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, containing 840 acres, at the price of 250 pounds in silver and gold, and assuming the payment of the original purchase money contracted for in the Land Office.

#### REMOVES FROM CHESTER COUNTY TO LANCASTER COUNTY

Alexander Lewis and family removed from London Grove Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, to Colerain Township,





Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, between February 15, 1782, and December 10, 1783, on which latter date he sold 150 acres of land in London Grove Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, to Francis Williamson.

On March 28, 1789, Daniel Beyer borrowed 130 pounds of gold and silver coin from Alexander Lewis, securing the loan by a mortgage on 128 acres of land in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

#### REMOVES TO NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY

He remained in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, from December 10, 1783, to August 25, 1790. Between August 25, 1790, and September 18, 1790, he removed to Lewisburgh, then in Northumberland County, now in Union County, Pennsylvania, where he purchased from Ludwick Swinehart, September 18, 1790, for the sum of 100 pounds, two adjoining lots in the town of Lewisburgh, Buffalo Township, then Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, lot Numbers 174 and 175, bounded northward by St. Mary's Street, eastward by an alley, southward by lot Number 173, and westward by Fourth Street.

#### ERECTS STONE HOUSE IN LEWISBURGH, 1790-1791

A stone house and a log house and outbuildings were erected upon these lots in 1790-1791. The northern half of lot Number 174 is now (1928) owned by Kimber S. Snyder, and is occupied by a frame house; and the southern half is owned by the De Frain estate, and has a similar structure on it.

The northern half of lot Number 175 is now (1928) owned by John O. Musser; on it there is a double brick house; and the southern half is now owned by William N. Reherer, and has the same improvements.

#### ALEXANDER LEWIS ENTERS MERCANTILE BUSINESS

Alexander Lewis was a merchant on Pennsylvania Street, Lewisburgh, Buffalo Township, then Northumberland County, now Union County, Pennsylvania, from September 18, 1790, to June 20, 1797, and was located on what was then known as Pennsylvania Street. Alexander Smith Lewis, a son, was associated with his father in the mercantile business in Lewisburgh, Pennsylvania.

#### A HORSE TRADE

Articles of agreement were entered into January 28, 1793, between Alexander Lewis, of Buffalo Township, Northumber-





land County, Pennsylvania, and Henry Strohm, of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, covering an exchange of horses, in which agreement Alexander Lewis agreed to deliver at Shuster and Russell's store in Middletown, Pennsylvania, good merchantable wheat to the amount of 70 pounds at the market price at time of delivery.

#### RICHARD BOND, SENIOR, BORN 1728

Alexander Lewis and Mary Smith Lewis, his wife, then residents of Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, sold, October 13, 1794, to Richard Bond and Mary, his wife, then residents of Chillisquaque Township, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, a tract of land in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, containing 225 acres, for the sum of 300 pounds. This acreage adjoined the land previously conveyed by Alexander Lewis to Thomas Maxwell and Jane Lewis Maxwell, his wife, and was very near the tract of land conveyed by Alexander Lewis to William Patton and Susanna Lewis Patton, his wife, situated in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

#### SAMUEL BOND, BORN 1692

(The author believes that a relationship between the Bonds, Smiths and Lewises began with the marriage of Richard Bond, Senior, who was born October 4, 1728, and died at Lost Creek, Harrison County, Virginia, January 14, 1819. He was the son of Samuel Bond, born January 10, 1692, and died April 10, 1783, aged ninety-one years and three months, and Ann, his wife, born in 1708, and died August 22, 1786. Richard Bond, Senior, and his son, Richard Bond, Junior, and their respective families probably emigrated to Harrison County, Virginia, circa 1800, with the Patton, Maxwell and Lewis families. Richard Bond, Senior, and Richard Bond, Junior, purchased land in Harrison County, Virginia, in 1798, and settled in Harrison County, circa 1800. The Bond, Smith, Patton and Lewis families were closely associated in Northumberland and Lancaster counties, Pennsylvania, prior to 1800, and were intimately associated in the Lost Creek and Duck Creek settlements in the pioneer days. The Harrison County, West Virginia, descendants of Richard Bond, Senior, and Richard Bond, Junior, are numerous and include Hon. Luther Bond, of Lost Creek, and the descendants of the late Col. Luther Haymond, who was born February 23, 1809, and died, in Clarksburg, September 19, 1908, whose parents were Thomas and Rebecca Bond Haymond, the latter a descend-



ant of Richard Bond, Senior. Further research is necessary to definitely establish the relationship believed to exist between the families before named. It is deemed advisable to withhold further expression of opinion until documentary proofs are obtained.)

#### OWNED LAND NEAR WEST MILFORD

The County Court records of Harrison County, West Virginia, show that Alexander Lewis entered thirty acres of land, January 6, 1807, in Harrison County, Virginia, being part of a Land Office Exchange Treasury Warrant for 123 acres, Number 1212, issued to John Haymond, January 9, 1802, on the west side of the West Fork, beginning at the mouth of Buffalo Creek, to include the vacant land between the lands of Hough and the heirs of Peter Shaul, and down said fork between the lines of George Bush and Thomas Eslip, and William Childers and William Richards, and still down the west side of said fork by the lines of Joseph Kester and William Lowther, and down the east side of said fork by the lines of land surveyed for Israel Brown.

On June 15, 1807, this tract of land was sold by Alexander Lewis to Richard Bond, Junior.

#### FORMATION OF COUNTIES

Chester County, Pennsylvania, was formed in 1682, and Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, was formed in 1729. The following counties have been set off from Lancaster County: York, 1749; Cumberland, 1750; Berks, 1752; Northumberland, 1772; Dauphin, 1785; and Lebanon, 1813. The first settlement in Lancaster County, Province of Pennsylvania, was 1710.

Lancaster, Pennsylvania, had 600 inhabitants in 1766, having grown from 200 in 1730.

#### CHILDREN OF ALEXANDER LEWIS AND MARY SMITH

The children born to Alexander Lewis, 1730-1814, and Mary Smith, circa 1735-1799, who were married in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, in 1760, and who continued to reside there until December 10, 1783, were as follows:

1. SUSANNA LEWIS, born November 5, 1761; died August 28, 1828.
2. John Lewis, born June 24, 1763; died June 17, 1775.
3. Abraham Lewis, born March 5, 1765; died April 29, 1774.
4. JANE LEWIS, born July 15, 1767; died October 20, 1835.







5. Mary Lewis, born February 5, 1769.
6. Alexander Smith Lewis, born December 8, 1770; died May 19, 1799.
7. John Lewis, born May 10, 1773; died August 9, 1799.
8. Ebenezer Lewis, born May 10, 1773; died June 17, 1775.

(Author's Note: Upon the suggestion of Hon. Charles Joseph Maxwell, Dallas, Texas, received January 14, 1927, minor changes have been made in the dates of items numbers 2 and 4, and the dates of death supplied and added to items numbers 7 and 8 of the above list of children born to Alexander Lewis and Mary Smith Lewis. The corrected list of names and dates was copied from the Alexander Lewis Family Bible in 1900.)

#### THE PATTON-HIGHLAND BRANCH

1. SUSANNA LEWIS, born in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, November 5, 1761, a granddaughter namesake of Susanna Smith, 1691-1767, wife of John Smith, 1686-1765, died at her homestead on the waters of Duck Creek, Harrison County, Virginia, August 28, 1828. She was a second cousin of Robert Fulton, the inventor, and was united in marriage with Squire William Patton, a Revolutionary soldier, born April 21, 1761, who died at his homestead on the waters of Duck Creek, near West Milford, Harrison County, Virginia, now West Virginia, July 28, 1826. Both are buried in the Patton cemetery on the Patton farm, situated on the waters of Duck Creek, Harrison County, West Virginia.

#### WILLIAM PATTON BUYS FARM IN LANCASTER COUNTY

Following their marriage, in 1786, Squire William Patton and Susanna Lewis Patton settled in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, where they remained until December 14, 1799. He purchased, on April 8, 1790, 225 acres of land in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, of Alexander Lewis and Mary Smith Lewis, for the cash sum of 293 pounds and 15 shillings in gold and silver coin. Prior to his departure for Harrison County, Virginia, William Patton sold his farm of 225 acres in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, to James Cooper, December 14, 1799, for \$800 cash.

#### WILLIAM PATTON CAME TO CLARKSBURG IN 1785

William Patton and his brother, John Patton, school teachers, made a journey into Harrison County, then Virginia, in



1785, prior to William Patton's marriage. They spent one year in the vicinity of Clarksburg, where they taught school. In 1786 they returned to Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, where William Patton was married in that year. After disposing of their property in 1799, William Patton and family came to Harrison County, then Virginia, and settled for a brief time on what is now the late George W. Washburn farm, at Good Hope, circa 1800. He acquired, by purchase from George Carpenter and wife, Elizabeth, of Belmont County, Ohio, 300 acres of land on Duck Creek, then in Harrison County, Virginia, to which he removed and there he erected a large two-story log house, circa 1800, which is now (1928) still standing, and is owned and occupied by three of his granddaughters.

#### ACQUIRES TITLE TO 300 ACRES

A deed of conveyance was made by George Carpenter to William Patton, September 20, 1813, several years subsequent to purchase and possession, the consideration being \$360 for the 300 acre tract. On May 21, 1817, William Patton purchased from Elijah Arnold, by attorney, ten acres on Duck Creek, and twenty-six and one-half acres on the West Fork River.

#### WILLIAM PATTON SERVED IN REVOLUTIONARY WAR

William Patton, born April 21, 1761, died July 28, 1826. He served in the war of the Revolution as a private in the Fourth Class in Capt. William Brisban's company of the First Battalion of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, Militia, 1780-1781. (Reference: Page 74, Volume VII, Pennsylvania Archives, Fifth Series.) The officers under whom he served in Battalion I, Company Eight, were: Field officer, Maj. William McCausland, Capt. William Brisban, Lieutenant William Willson, Ensign George Whitehill. (Reference: J. I. Mombert's *History of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania*, 1869, page 313.)

During the Revolutionary war the companies were divided into classes, and various classes of different companies were called into service instead of calling all the classes in the same company. This was done in order that the region might not be left entirely unprotected. Each class had the same rank.

#### DELIVERS WHEAT TO MORGANTOWN IN 1817

William Patton, 1761-1826, cleared a part of the hill land which his three granddaughters now (1928) own, on the waters





of Duck Creek, Harrison County, West Virginia, in the summer in 1817, sowed the cleared ground in wheat that fall, and delivered, in 1818, the wheat crop to Morgantown on pack horses.

#### FIRST DUCK CREEK SCHOOLTEACHER

William Patton, the pioneer, taught the first school on Duck Creek, near West Milford, Harrison County, Virginia. John D. Smith, born November 12, 1810, died February 7, 1897, son of Watters Smith, 1767-1849, and Elizabeth Davisson Smith, 1770-1838, who settled on Duck Creek in 1796, was a pupil at the William Patton school in 1817. The first round log schoolhouse on Duck Creek in which William Patton taught was built in 1814, on the lower end of the Watters Smith farm, near the residence of Alexander Austin (Dock) Smith, born June 14, 1847, son of Maj. John D. Smith, on Duck Creek, Harrison County, Virginia. The chimney and foundation stones remain undisturbed on the original site, facing the old West Milford and New Salem Turnpike, incorporated March 7, 1850, of which company Ebenezer Wilson Patton, grandson of William Patton, was the engineer.

#### MAJ. JOHN D. SMITH, 1810-1897, A PUPIL

William Patton took a great interest in his bright little pupil, John D. Smith, then aged seven years, and is known to have taken him on his lap at times during school hours. For the last 127 years, the Duck Creek Smiths and Pattons have been unwavering friends. In truth, this spirit prevailed generally among the Duck Creek pioneers and exists today among their numerous descendants, there and elsewhere.

#### ROSTER OF DUCK CREEK RESIDENTS, DECEMBER 25, 1926

The surnames of the families living on Duck Creek, Harrison County, West Virginia, compiled by Henrietta Hornor Martin, who resides there, follow:

Mrs. Martha Wilson, Clate Goodwin, Richard Young, Mr. Van Horn (residing on the Harvey F. Smith farm); Marshall Cookman (residing on the farm of the late Charles J. Hornor); Fred Boyles, John Robinson, who purchased the William Lloyd Queen farm; Jerry Lyall, a former resident, who removed to Lost Creek; Adolphus McIntire, Harley D. Gaines, Carl Stone, Cecil Smith, E. N. Smith, Albert McWhorter, Wade Gaston, Thomas Snider, Jasper Micklish, Frank Egar, Mrs. Myrtle Edmunds, George Gaston, Dallas Frymire, Worthy Ward, Mrs.



Flora Gaston, Harvey F. Smith (summer home); Alexander Austin (Dock) Smith, Allen Smith, Burr Smith, Kesiah Patton, Sarah Indiana Patton, Timanda Elizabeth Patton, sisters; Charles Washburn, John Morgan, Lloyd Smith, Bert Smith, Earl Simonds, John Sandy, Martin S. Ward and Henrietta Hornor Martin.

The following Duck Creek residents have departed since December 23, 1923: Byrd Edmonds, a good neighbor, who died three years ago; Mrs. Chapman Smith, a lovely woman, who passed on less than two years ago; Henry Young, a fine citizen, who died in November, 1926; Thomas M. Hornor, who was one of the best informed men in Harrison County and a dependable citizen, died in the peaceful Duck Creek Valley, September 19, 1925; and Charles J. Hornor, a former Duck Creek resident, who died December 1, 1926, a man beloved by everybody. Peace be to their pleasant memories!

The population residing on Duck Creek is between 150 and 200. More than a century and a quarter ago, the forebears of these families prepared the way.

"The pioneer of western Virginia was no rude son of toil, but a man of thought, trained amid arts and letters."

#### OTHER PIONEER TEACHERS

John B. Livingston was another Duck Creek school teacher in the original schoolhouse there in 1829. The next schoolhouse was built on the William Patton farm just across the creek, opposite the residence of Alexander Austin Smith. The teachers were John Mills, James Hardway, Moxie Bastable, William Patton, Junior, in 1830; William Henton Patton and John Edgar Patton, the latter two being sons of Col. Alexander Lewis Patton.

#### GEN. THOMAS J. "STONEWALL" JACKSON

Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson, Confederate general, born in Clarksburg, attended one term of school there. This was during the '30s, when his home was with his uncle, Cummings Jackson, at Jackson's Mill. The youthful "Stonewall" boarded with some of the residents of Duck Creek.

#### MISS KESIAH PATTON SOLE SURVIVOR

Others who attended school there were: Ebenezer Wilson Patton, Zachariah Smith Patton, Marquis Greene Patton, John West, Enos West, Matilda West, Andrew, William, John and





James Gaston, Waldo Brown and Kesiah Patton, the last named being the only person now living who attended school there. She is now ninety-three years of age.

#### CHILDREN OF WILLIAM PATTON AND SUSANNA LEWIS

The children of William Patton, 1761-1826, and Susanna Lewis, 1761-1828, the pioneer settlers on Duck Creek, Harrison County, Virginia, were:

1. Elizabeth Patton, born November 12, 1787; died November 6, 1856.
2. ALEXANDER LEWIS PATTON, born July 23, 1789; died May 21, 1866.
3. John W. Patton, born September 4, 1791; died August 12, 1858.
4. Ebenezer Patton, born December 16, 1793; died May 11, 1820.
5. Mary Patton, born March 22, 1796; died November 9, 1879.
6. William Patton, Junior, born June 10, 1799; died ~~circa 1860~~ *October 21, 1868*
7. Kesiah Patton, born February 15, 1801; died March 3, 1829.
8. James Patton, born April 16, 1803; died April 16, 1803.
9. Zachariah Patton, born October 31, 1804; died March 19, 1850.

#### BORN IN LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

(1) Elizabeth Patton, born in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, November 12, 1787, died at 6 o'clock P. M., November 6, 1856, at the home of her sister, Mary Patton Hoff, wife of Maj. John Hoff, 1775-1870, near West Milford, Virginia. She never married.

#### COL. ALEXANDER LEWIS PATTON

(2) Alexander Lewis Patton, born in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, July 23, 1789, a grandson namesake of Alexander Lewis, died at his homestead on Duck Creek, Harrison County, West Virginia, at 5 o'clock A. M., May 21, 1866. He was married in Clarksburg, Virginia, July 19, 1814, the Rev. John Davis officiating, to Miss Ruth Smith, born May 31, 1798, in Clermont County, Ohio, who died at her homestead on Duck Creek, Harrison County, Virginia, August 7, 1848.



She was the daughter of James and Hester (Esther) Morris Smith, called "Hettie," born Monday, May 27, 1771, in Berks County, Pennsylvania, and died in Scott township, near New Hope, Brown County, Ohio, July 28, 1854, of (formerly) Clermont County, Ohio, and a granddaughter of Rev. Isaac Morris, born in Berks County, Pennsylvania, in 1740, died near Clarksburg, Harrison County, then Virginia, now West Virginia, July 10, 1830, Revolutionary soldier from Virginia 1777 to 1783, and who married, April 11, 1766, Ruth Henton, born in Virginia in 1750, died in Harrison County, then Virginia, now West Virginia, between March 13 and September 16, 1839, parents of twelve children, nine sons and three daughters, among whom were Hon. Thomas Morris, born in Berks County, Pennsylvania, January 3, 1776, died near Bethel, Clermont County, Ohio, December 7, 1844, member Ohio Legislature 1806-1830, judge Supreme Court of Ohio, United States senator from Ohio from March 4, 1833, to March 3, 1839, nominee of the Liberal party for Vice President of the United States, August 30, 1843; and Rev. Joseph Morris (1784-1863), of Harrison County, West Virginia, who married, August 8, 1807, Nancy Davisson, born in Bridgeport, Harrison County, Virginia, April 22, 1792, died in Harrison County, West Virginia, February 16, 1867, the latter great-grandparents of United States Senator Matthew Mansfield Neely, of Fairmont, West Virginia, member of Congress 1913-1921, elected to Federal Senate in 1922 for term of six years; Mary Morris, who married John Smith, among whose children was James Morris Smith, born August 2, 1812, died January 19, 1879, married, September 7, 1837, Catherine Selmon Wells, born 1819, died April 15, 1865 (daughter of John and Sarah Wells), who had eleven children, among whom were John Marshall Smith, born July 30, 1838, died September 16, 1928, and Mary Harriet Smith, born in Tyler County, then Virginia, December 8, 1850, married Dr. Walter E. Stathers, whose children are: Dr. James Russell Stathers, Silas Cliffert Stathers, geologist, Dr. Frederick Russell Stathers, and Judge Birk S. Stathers, the latter judge of the Circuit Court comprising Harrison and Lewis counties; after the death on October 30, 1887, of Mary Harriet Smith Stathers, his first wife, Dr. Walter E. Stathers married Virginia Whiteside, and they have two children, William Gillespie Stathers, a prominent attorney of Clarksburg, and Hugh Stathers; Hester Morris, born May 27, 1771, died July 28, 1854, married, in 1797, James Smith, who died in 1809, and settled in Clermont County, Ohio, where a daughter, Ruth Smith, was born, May 31, 1798, who married





at Clarksburg, then Virginia, July 19, 1814, Col. Alexander Lewis Patton (1789-1866), and reared in Harrison County, Virginia, a family of eleven children, Ruth Smith Patton passing away August 7, 1848; James J. Smith, a son of James and Hester Morris Smith, was born in Hamilton County, Ohio, September 8, 1803, married September 16, 1835, Roanna Wood, of Clermont County, Ohio, and finally settling in Brown County, Ohio, where he was elected auditor in 1840 and reelected to that important post in 1842, and prominently identified with the pioneer development of Clermont and Brown counties, Ohio. Mr. Smith died near New Hope, Scott Township, Brown County, Ohio, November 8, 1882, a revered and esteemed citizen. He was a brother of Ruth Smith, born in what is now Clermont County, Ohio, May 31, 1798, died in Harrison County, then Virginia, now West Virginia, August 7, 1848, married in Clarksburg, then Virginia, July 19, 1814, Col. Alexander Lewis Patton (1789-1866), above named; and a brother of David Morris Smith, born November 25, 1804, died in Scott Township, Brown County, Ohio, October 22, 1843, married in 1830, Rhoda Allen, daughter of John and Nancy A. Allen, and brother of Isaac Henton Smith (1807-1838), and probably Phoebe Smith, concerning whom the facts are yet lacking.

Rev. Isaac Morris (1740-1830) and Ruth Henton Morris (1750-1839), his wife, who were married April 11, 1766, left numerous descendants who are widely known and many nationally known. This pioneer couple lived in Berks County, Pennsylvania, from the date of their marriage until after the birth of Thomas Morris, January 3, 1776, later United States senator, removing to Harrison County, then Virginia, where they spent the remainder of their days. Among these descendants are:

Rev. Benjamin Franklin Morris, born 1810, died June 28, 1867; graduated from Miami University, 1832; author of the *Life of Thomas Morris, United States Senator*, 1856; *Christian Life and Character of the Civil Institutions of the United States*, 1864; *Memorial Record of the Nation's Tribute to Abraham Lincoln*, 1865. Born at Bethel, Clermont County, Ohio, died in Springfield, Ohio; son of Thomas Morris (1776-1844), United States senator from Ohio (1833-1839.)

Jonathan David Morris, born October 8, 1804, died May 16, 1875; member of Congress from Ohio (March 4, 1847, to March 3, 1851).

Isaac Newton Morris, born January 22, 1812, died October 29, 1879; member of Congress from Illinois (March 4, 1857, to March 3, 1861); appointed by President Grant commissioner for

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the Union Pacific Railroad in 1869; was president of the Illinois and Michigan Canal Company in 1841; admitted to the bar in 1835; attended college at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

Judge Joseph Marcus Beck, born April 21, 1823, died May 30, 1893; admitted to the bar in 1846; in 1852 elected prosecuting attorney of Lee County, and mayor of Fort Madison, Iowa; in 1867 was elected judge of the Supreme Court, served six years; in 1873, having received the nomination of the convention without a dissenting voice, he was reelected; served as a member of the Iowa Supreme Court continuously for twenty-four years, and was chief justice of that court in 1872, 1873, 1879, 1885 and 1891; in politics the judge was a strong Republican; in religion a Baptist; Judge Beck's decisions run through sixty-one volumes of Iowa reports.

Robert M. McKinney, vice president of the National Bank of the Republic of Chicago, Illinois, established in 1891, with assets at the close of business February 28, 1928, of \$136,763,538.79; including all classes of employees the staff numbers 700; Mr. McKinney is also a director of this great financial institution, and now (1928) one of its most active officers.

Albert Flandreau Dean, born July 30, 1842, living at Evanston, Illinois; lieutenant First Iowa Cavalry in the Union service during the Civil war; western manager of the Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Company, with which he was actively associated for forty-five years; Mr. Dean's great service to the business was his development of the analytic system of rating, commonly known as the Dean schedule. This adaptation of scientific principles to the measurement of fire hazard has had an incalculable influence upon the business, and justifies the statement that fire underwriting owes more to Mr. Dean than to any other one man of his time. In addition to his reputation as a scholar and a scientist, Mr. Dean has been a practical and successful underwriter, as the growth and standing of the Springfield in the West testifies, and is a brilliant conversationalist and a delightful story-teller. He is the author of *Interest and Equation Exponents*, *The Rationale of Fire Insurance*, *Fire Rating as a Science*, *Standardization in Fire Insurance*, and *Sequential Relations in Fire Rates*, besides many mathematical and scientific books, pamphlets and addresses. He has at least a score of publications to his credit, all written because of the necessities of the business and at the request of leading underwriting bodies; Mr. Dean is one of the best read men of his time, and will celebrate on July 30, 1928, the eighty-sixth anniversary of his birth.







## CAPT. MELVIN GREENE SPERRY

Capt. Melvin Greene Sperry, prominent attorney; Judge Birk S. Stathers, of the Harrison-Lewis Circuit Court; Sidney Austin Smith, president of the Morris Grocery Company; C. Birk Morris, vice president, Morris Grocery Company; Virgil Lee Highland, former Republican National Committeeman for West Virginia and president of the Empire National Bank; Franklin Earle Highland, head of the Highland Brothers & Gore shoe house; State Senator Cecil Blaine Highland, investments; Scotland G. Highland, general manager of the Clarksburg Water Board, all of Clarksburg; and Federal Senator Matthew Mansfield Neely and Charles Bruce Highland of Fairmont, West Virginia; and last but not least Mrs. Lucinda Earle Patton Highland of West Milford, West Virginia, great-great-granddaughter of Rev. Isaac Morris and Ruth Henton Morris, above named, and Hon. John Marshall Smith, born July 30, 1838, died September 16, 1928, Union Civil war veteran, member Thirty-first Legislature from Tyler County, West Virginia.

## PROMOTED BY GOVERNOR JOHN TYLER

Col. Alexander Lewis Patton was promoted to the rank of colonel in the Eleventh Regiment of Virginia Militia, of which he had long been a major, by Governor John Tyler, of Virginia, April 18, 1826, in the room of Jonathan Jackson, deceased, born 1790, died March 26, 1826, who was married, in 1817, to Julia Beckwith Neale, parents of Gen. Thomas J. (Stonewall) Jackson. Col. Alexander Lewis Patton was a County Court justice from 1834 to 1835, and from 1846 to 1847, and Commissioner of the Revenue in 1839. He was an extensive farmer.

## CHILDREN OF COL. ALEXANDER LEWIS PATTON AND RUTH SMITH

Born to Col. Alexander Lewis Patton and Ruth Smith, eleven children, as follows:

1. Zachariah Smith Patton, born at 10 o'clock P. M., June 18, 1815; died October 9, 1860. He married in Harrison County, Virginia, September 22, 1836, Miss Catherine Crumrine. The children of this union were: Henton Patton, deceased, and A. L. Patton, who died February 26, 1894, leaving descendants.
2. William Henton Patton, born at 2 o'clock P. M., September 26, 1817; died April 15, 1847. He was a pioneer school teacher and a surveyor. He was unmarried.



3. Elizabeth Ann Patton, born at 4 o'clock A. M., May 4, 1820; died at Knightstown, Indiana, December 2, 1899. She was married, in Harrison County, Virginia, May 30, 1844, to the Rev. Jacob S. Patterson, a prominent minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The Reverend and Mrs. Patterson removed to Knightstown, Indiana, September 1, 1863. The children born to this union were: John S., Mary Malissa and Charles Patterson.

#### ATTORNEY EBENEZER WILSON PATTON

4. Ebenezer Wilson Patton, born at 10 o'clock P. M., May 12, 1822; died in his law offices in Clarksburg, West Virginia, at 12 o'clock noon, October 28, 1879. He was married, April 1, 1845, the Rev. C. H. Jackson officiating, to Lurena S. Bartlett, who died July 8, 1845. His second marriage was to Miss Sarah Ann Carder, July 6, 1847, Rev. M. Maddox officiating, at Clarksburg. She was born at Beverly, Randolph County, Virginia, July 12, 1826, and died at West Milford, Harrison County, Virginia, November 12, 1854. She was the daughter of James Carder and Lucinda Earle Carder, proprietors of the old Northwestern Hotel, Clarksburg, then Virginia. Ebenezer Wilson Patton was a merchant, County Court justice, 1857-1858, in Harrison County, Virginia, civil engineer and an able lawyer. He surveyed and superintended the construction of the New Salem and West Milford Turnpike in 1850-1852.

Born to this union:

1. William Wirt Patton, born March 31, 1848; died February 21, 1849.
2. Emma Roseley Patton, born February 9, 1850; died March 4, 1851.
3. LUCINDA EARLE PATTON, born at West Milford, Virginia, at 7:30 o'clock A. M., April 3, 1851. She was united in marriage, January 25, 1867, with Capt. John Edgar Highland.
4. Lillian Belle Patton (Dunnington), born April 14, 1853; died February 28, 1927; widow of the late Charles L. Dunnington, 1836-1901, of Clarksburg. He was a son of Noah and Catherine Ferguson Dunnington; and a brother of the late William L. Dunnington, of Weston, who was born June 15, 1832; died at Weston, January 9,





1913. Hugh Dunnington, of Weston, is the only surviving brother.

5. Sarah Ann Patton, born July 23, 1854; died September 20, 1854.

#### LUCINDA EARLE PATTON

Lucinda Earle Patton, the third of the above mentioned five children, was born at West Milford, Harrison County, then Virginia, at 7:30 o'clock A. M., April 3, 1851. She grew up a sweet and gentle woman, and was united in marriage, January 25, 1867, with Capt. John Edgar Highland, born October 19, 1832; died May 4, 1903; school teacher, merchant, farmer and Union Civil war veteran, son of Jacob Highland, farmer, merchant and County Court justice prior to the creation of West Virginia.

Jacob Highland was born near Clarksburg, Harrison County, Virginia, September 4, 1808; died in Harrison County, West Virginia, March 16, 1880. The father of Jacob Highland was John Highland, the pioneer, who was born at Newport, Christiana Hundred, New Castle County, Delaware, August 21, 1770, and who died in Clarksburg, Harrison County, Virginia, December 1, 1814, where he and his family had settled October 1, 1806.

#### CAPT. JOHN EDGAR HIGHLAND

Capt. John Edgar Highland is buried in the Masonic Cemetery, Clarksburg, West Virginia. His parents, Jacob Highland and Nancy Jane Williams Highland, and his grandparents, John Highland and Telitha Batten Highland, are buried in the Lost Creek Cemetery, on the road between West Milford and Lost Creek, Harrison County, West Virginia.

#### MEMBER OF COLONIAL DAMES

Lucinda Earle Patton Highland is a member of the Virginia Society of Colonial Dames of America, on the record of her great-great-grandfather, Maj. Samuel Earle, 1692-1771, member of the Virginia House of Burgesses, 1742-1747; attorney at law; graduate of William and Mary College, 1726; high sheriff; collector of tobacco for the crown; justice of the Frederick County, Virginia, Court, sitting with Thomas Lord Fairfax and others. Maj. Samuel Earle served in King George's war, 1744-1748, and in the early part of the French and Indian war, which closed in 1763.



## SIR JOHN EARLE

Lucinda Earle Patton Highland is seventh in descent from Sir John Earle and Mary Symons Earle, who settled in St. Mary's County, Maryland, in 1649, permanently locating in 1652 in what was then Northumberland County, afterward Westmoreland County, Virginia, where he owned 1,700 acres of land. Sir John Earle died in 1660, leaving a will which is legible today in the Virginia records.

## JOHN HIGHLAND MARRIED IN 1799

John Highland, 1770-1814, was united in marriage with Miss Telitha Batten, born July 4, 1776, died August 8, 1854, of Salem County, New Jersey, at the First Baptist Church, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Thursday evening, December 26, 1799, Rev. William Rogers officiating. The bride was a daughter of Francis and Deborah Hoffman Batten, who were married in Gloucester County, New Jersey, December 22, 1762, and was a granddaughter of Francis and Anne Cheeseman Batten, who were married in Gloucester County, New Jersey, December 7, 1730, the latter a daughter of Uriah Cheeseman.

## COLONIAL MASSACHUSETTS PIONEERS

John Highland, 1770-1814, before mentioned, was a direct lineal descendant of Thomas Highland, who was born April 23, 1604, in Waldron, County Sussex, England, a great-grandson of Richard Highland, of Waldron, the testator of 1591. Thomas Highland was baptized in All Saints Church in Waldron, in April, 1604; married in 1626; lived and was a freeholder in Ten-terden, County Kent, England, from 1629 to 1633; emigrated, with his wife, Deborah Highland, and their eight children to Scituate, Plymouth County, Massachusetts Bay Colony, in New England, America, where he was a proprietor of Scituate in 1637; he took the oath of allegiance and was a freeman in Scituate, February 1, 1638; was a juryman and town officer in 1638; died in Scituate, Plymouth County, America, between February 14 and May 3, 1682, on which latter date his will was probated.





## CHILDREN OF CAPTAIN JOHN EDGAR HIGHLAND AND LUCINDA EARLE PATTON

The children of Captain John Edgar Highland and Lucinda Earle Patton, born in Harrison County, West Virginia, were:

Charles Bruce Highland, born October 31, 1868; merchant and investor, Fairmont.

### VIRGIL LEE HIGHLAND

Virgil Lee Highland, born August 31, 1870. He is president of the Empire National Bank, which he was instrumental in organizing in 1903, at Clarksburg, West Virginia; Republican National Committeeman for West Virginia; owner of *The Clarksburg Telegram*, investor and long associated with the development of the natural resources of the upper Monongahela Valley.

Franklin Earle Highland, born April 29, 1872; is head of the Highland Brothers and Gore retail shoe house. He is a namesake of Franklin Maxwell.

Isophene Highland Tetrick, born November 18, 1874; wife of Emory Ellis Tetrick, Fairmont.

Senator Cecil Blaine Highland, born November 2, 1876; investments, realty, coal, oil and gas interests; and

### SCOTLAND G. HIGHLAND

Scotland G. Highland, born August 7, 1879, at the Highland Homestead, near West Milford, Harrison County, West Virginia, known in 1785 as the "Indian Camping Place." He is general manager of the Clarksburg, West Virginia, water plant and system, which post he has held continually since February 1, 1906; author of standard sanitary plumbing code widely used throughout the country; Highland genealogy covering a span of 337 years; contributes to the newspapers and to the technical press; educated in public schools at West Milford, West Virginia; Iron City College, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; West Virginia University; G. W. Michael's School, Logansport, Indiana; member: Society of Colonial Wars in the commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the states of Tennessee and Illinois; Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Historical Society; American Water Works Association; New England Water Works Association; American Society for Municipal Improvements; authority on stream purifica-



tion and sewage disposal; author of a treatise on the abolition of capital punishment; member: Sons of the Revolution in West Virginia; Sons of Union Civil War Veterans; Masonic lodge; Methodist Protestant Church; aviation enthusiast, having flown in 1919, 1920 and 1921, as a passenger in West Virginia, Michigan, New York, Pennsylvania and in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec, Canada. Mr. Highland owns a rare library. Residence: Clarksburg, West Virginia.

SON OF COLONEL ALEXANDER LEWIS PATTON AND RUTH SMITH

Ebenezer Wilson Patton married for his third wife, Miss Martha Jane Dolbeare, at Clarksburg, February 1, 1855. She was born at Beverly, Randolph County, then Virginia, September 21, 1826, died April 22, 1887, the daughter of Dr. Benjamin Dolbeare (born October 28, 1789, died at Clarksburg, Virginia, June 7, 1854, married in Randolph County, Virginia, May 13, 1824, Jane Marteny, born in Randolph County, Virginia, August 29, 1804, died May 19, 1869, daughter of William and Eunice Estburn Marteny, Randolph County surveyor, sheriff and member of the legislature from Randolph County, from 1806-1826.) Dr. Benjamin Dolbeare was a noted physician and surgeon, and an owner and editor of the *Clarksburg Virginian*, the Democrat, the scion of Democracy and the *Clarksburg Independent* from 1840 to 1854. He served 1828-1829 in the Virginia Legislature, and owned in fee simple 21,000 acres of land in Randolph County, Virginia.

Dr. Benjamin Dolbeare's sister, Lucy Dolbeare (born January 8, 1786, died October 26, 1863), became April 1, 1820, the (second) wife of Lorenzo Dow, the noted Methodist missionary, who was born October 16, 1777 and died February 2, 1834. Lorenzo Dow was one of the most conspicuous characters in America at the beginning of the nineteenth century. He became a member of the Masonic Lodge December 25, 1824.

The children born to Ebenezer Wilson Patton and Martha Jane Dolbeare Patton, above named, were:

1. Benjamin Lewis Patton, born September 10, 1855, died at Harrison, Missouri, 1874, Illinois. February 7, 1892, and buried
2. Martha Jane Patton, born April 17, 1857, died September 5-7, 1883.
3. Ebenezer Wilson Patton, Jr., born February 22, 1859, died May 4, 1905.





4. Lorenzo Dow Patton, born May 27, 1861; died December 29, 1923.
5. Mary Mariah Patton, born April 22, 1863, died November 3, 1863.
6. James Guy Patton, born December 24, 1864, died March 23, 1865.
7. Daisy Ellen Patton, born May 10, 1866, died February 2, 1920.
8. Lulu Ruth Patton, born April 7, 1873, living.

CHILDREN OF COLONEL ALEXANDER LEWIS PATTON AND RUTH SMITH

5. John Edgar Patton, born at four o'clock A. M., August 7, 1825; died in 1846. He was a school teacher, and civil engineer.
6. Marquis Greene Patton, born at nine o'clock A. M., December 6, 1828; died February 5, 1864. He was married to Martha Ann Owens, sister of O. Q. Owens, a former mayor of Clarksburg, January 23, 1855. Born to this union: Ida Mae Holden, born February 13, 1856, died January 6, 1928, married September 6, 1875, Andrew J. Holden of Harrison County, West Virginia, who died November 4, 1904 at their home in Nebraska. Ida Mae Patton Holden, widow of the late Andrew J. Holden, above named, who died January 6, 1928, is survived by eight living children, twenty-one grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.
7. Luther Morris Patton, born at six o'clock P. M., July 27, 1831; died April 20, 1914. He was married October 11, 1853, to Miss Belinda Mariah Highland, daughter of Thomas and Ruhama Davisson Highland. Eight children were born to this union.
8. Mary Marilla Patton, born at four o'clock A. M., May 12, 1835; died at Avon, West Virginia, February 24, 1915. On November 3, 1852, the Reverend Eli McWhorter officiating, she became the wife of Ezra Cortland Sperry. He was born in Cortland County, New York, September 29, 1828, and died at Avon, West Virginia, January 9, 1898. The fourteen children born to this union were: Edgar A., Mary V., Leonora, Ambrose L., Rulina E., Melvin Greene, born January 26, 1866, a prominent attorney; Ezra Cortland, Clarence Burdette, born October 10, 1869, a member of the firm of Sperry



and Sperry, attorneys; Adrion Judson, Ernest Victor, Earl Mortimer, Ida Leah, Minnie and Percy Cecil Sperry.

9. Emeline Patton, born ten o'clock A. M., December 29, 1836; died March 6, 1847.
10. Columbia Jane Patton, born ten o'clock A. M., May 10, 1839; died January 15, 1916. She was united in marriage, September 12, 1866, with McDuffy Lowther, a school teacher, and a descendant of Colonel William Lowther of the Revolution. Born to this union: May Lowther and A. Wirt Lowther, the latter a prominent Methodist minister and a nationally known lecturer, who married (second) Emmeline McKnight Maxwell, November 14, 1927, daughter of Mrs. Samuel Maxwell, of New York City.
11. Susanna Mariah Patton, born at seven o'clock P. M., September 12, 1845; died in childhood.

#### SON OF WILLIAM PATTON AND SUSANNA LEWIS

(3) John W. Patton, born in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, September 4, 1791, died in Clarksburg, Virginia, August 12, 1858. He was united in marriage March 20, 1832, with Miss Emeline Link, born March 31, 1806, who died July 1, 1855. She was the daughter of Peter and Hannah Calvert Link. John W. Patton is buried in the old Bridgeport cemetery, as is also his wife, Emeline Link Patton.

#### JUDGE CHARLES S. LEWIS

Born to this union: Mariah Patton, born September 27, 1833, died at Clarksburg, West Virginia, September 2, 1912. She was united in marriage February 19, 1855, Reverend T. B. Taylor officiating, with Judge Charles S. Lewis, born February 26, 1821, died January 22, 1878. Charles S. Lewis was elected judge of the Circuit Court in 1872, then embracing the counties of Harrison, Taylor, Marion, Doddridge, Monongahela and Wetzel. He ably served in that capacity until his death. He was a member of the Virginia legislature and also of the federal congress prior to the Civil war; later a member of the West Virginia Legislature, besides which he served as state superintendent of education and as adjutant general of West Virginia. Judge Lewis was a son of Charles Lewis, a lawyer of eminent ability, who was born in Fayette County, Pennsylvania.





Born to this union: Emma Lewis, born June 19, 1856, who was united in marriage October 28, 1884, with Colonel T. Moore Jackson, born June 22, 1852, died February 3, 1912.

#### DAUGHTER OF COLONEL T. MOORE JACKSON

Born to this union: Florence Jackson, born August 30, 1891, married September 29, 1923, Edgar Needham. Born to this union: Caroline Jackson Needham, born February 2, 1926.

#### SON OF WILLIAM PATTON AND SUSANNA LEWIS

(4) Ebenezer Patton, born December 16, 1793, in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, died May 11, 1820. He was a soldier in the war of 1812. He never married.

#### DAUGHTER OF WILLIAM PATTON AND SUSANNA LEWIS

(5) Mary Patton, born March 22, 1796, in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, died November 9, 1879. On November 1, 1837, she became the second wife of Major John Hoff, 1775-1870, great-grandfather of Edward Grandison Smith and Harvey Faris Smith, prominent Clarksburg lawyers. The Major John Hoff Homestead, near West Milford, West Virginia, is now (1928) owned and occupied by Edward Grandison Smith, a great-grandchild of Major John Hoff.

#### SON OF WILLIAM PATTON AND SUSANNA LEWIS

(6) William Patton, Junior, born in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, June 10, 1799, a pioneer Duck creek school teacher, married (first) January 22, 1833, Miss Elizabeth Myers, daughter of Abraham Myers, Reverend Elias Bruen officiating. She was a sister of Nancy Myers, born January 1, 1809, who died January 24, 1887, and who, on December 18, 1829, Reverend Joseph Chevront officiating, married Solomon Ward, born October 3, 1807; died May 4, 1884. He was the father of Martin S., born December 18, 1845, William Grafton, Ebenezer Wilson, Henson L., Sarah, Caroline, Mary and Drusilla Ward, all of whom have passed over the Great Divide except Martin S. Ward, a prosperous farmer residing near West Milford, West Virginia.

Ebenezer Patton was the only child born to Elizabeth and William Patton and he died at the home of Major John Hoff, circa 1852, aged eighteen years.



After the death of his first wife, William Patton, Junior, married Miss Mary <sup>born April 4, 1811</sup> Smith, and several children were born to this union, among whom was John Patton, who was killed in the Confederate Army in 1862; William Patton, Junior, removed to Gilmer County, where he died ~~circa 1860~~. *October 21, 1868.*

#### DAUGHTER OF WILLIAM PATTON AND SUSANNA LEWIS

(7) Kesiah Patton, born February 15, 1801, died March 3, 1829. She was united in marriage December 25, 1826, with Enoch Cheuvront, a son of the Reverend Joseph Cheuvront, noted pioneer Methodist missionary preacher, who was widely known in Western Virginia. Reverend Joseph Cheuvront qualified to administer the rites of matrimony before the Harrison County, Virginia, Court, September Term, 1790.

#### SON OF WILLIAM PATTON AND SUSANNA LEWIS

(8) James Patton, born April 16, 1803; died April 16, 1803.

#### SON OF WILLIAM PATTON AND SUSANNA LEWIS

(9) Zachariah Patton, born October 31, 1804, died March 19, 1850. He married (first) June 9, 1829, Miss Susan Grant, daughter of Chapman and Polly Jett Grant (married in Fauquier County, Virginia, October 14, 1803, removing to Harrison County, then Virginia, where he died in 1857, and she died in 1841), and sister of Dr. William L. Grant, born July 22, 1822, who married in 1842 Miss Mary E. Lyons. Dr. William L. Grant, before named, was a distinguished physician who settled at Jane Lew, later at Lost Creek, West Virginia, and finally took up his residence at Grafton, West Virginia, where he died. His removal to Grafton was in 1872. Dr. Grant had a son, James Arthur Grant, who was a druggist at Grafton, and two sons, Henry and Adolphus Grant.

#### THE GRANT-GUSMAN FAMILIES

Susan Grant, born 1809, who married Zachariah Patton, had a sister, Mary Grant, who married Charles Smith, born November 3, 1796, a son of Watters Smith, born July 15, 1767, the pioneer, and father of Chapman Smith; Edward Grandison Smith; and Thomas Marion Smith, the latter born February 24, 1845, father of Attorneys Edward Grandison Smith and Harvey Faris Smith, Clarksburg. George Chapman Grant was another





brother of Susan Grant Patton. After the death of his first wife, Susan Grant, June 23, 1830, Zachariah Patton was united in marriage March 3, 1832, with Miss Christiana Gusman, sister of Joseph Gusman, who operated for a long number of years, a large grist mill, a saw mill and a fulling mill near Good Hope. Joseph Gusman married Mary Jackson, a second cousin to General Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson, and was the father of the late Jerome Gusman, a large land owner near Good Hope. Christiana Gusman Patton, widow of Zachariah Patton, died at the Patton homestead on Duck creek, Harrison County, West Virginia, February 19, 1902, aged 95 years. Her other brothers were: Abraham, Isaac and Jacob Gusman, who came to Harrison County, Virginia, from Pennsylvania at an early date.

#### CHILDREN OF ZACHARIAH PATTON AND CHRISTIANA GUSMAN

Eight children were born to this union, three of whom reside at the old Patton homestead, on Duck creek, near West Milford, West Virginia. They are: Kesiah, born March 9, 1835; Sarah Indiana, born September 15, 1846; and Timanda Elizabeth Patton, born April 25, 1848; they are aged respectively ninety-three, eighty-two and eighty years, and are all still actively engaged in the honorable pursuit of farming. Another sister, Floreed Patton Freeman, born 1844, wife of J. Hamilton Freeman, lives at Big Isaac, West Virginia.

#### SON OF ALEXANDER LEWIS AND MARY SMITH

(2) John Lewis, son of Alexander Lewis, 1730-1814, and Mary Smith Lewis, circa 1735-1799, was born in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, June 24, 1763, and died June 17, 1775, in Chester County, Pennsylvania. He was a brother of Susanna Lewis, born November 5, 1761, who died August 28, 1828, and who married William Patton in 1786.

#### SON OF ALEXANDER LEWIS AND MARY SMITH

(3) Abraham Lewis, son of Alexander Lewis, 1730-1814, and Mary Smith Lewis, circa 1735-1799, was born March 5, 1765, and died April 29, 1774. He was a brother of the above mentioned John and Susanna Lewis.

#### DAUGHTER OF ALEXANDER LEWIS AND MARY SMITH

(4) Jane Lewis, daughter of Alexander Lewis, 1730-1814, and Mary Smith Lewis, circa 1735-1799, was born in Chester



County, Province of Pennsylvania, July 15, 1767, and died at Jane Lew, Lewis County, Virginia, October 20, 1835. She was a sister of Susanna Lewis, 1761-1828, who married William Patton in 1786, and a sister of John Lewis, 1763-1775, and of Abraham Lewis, 1765-1774, above mentioned.

#### JANE LEWIS MARRIED THOMAS MAXWELL

Jane Lewis was united in marriage, circa 1785, with Thomas Maxwell, of Chester County, Pennsylvania, who died in 1796, while enroute to Harrison County, Virginia, where he had planned to spend some time with a view to permanently locating there after returning for his wife and children. He had made the same journey before and was returning for the purpose of deciding upon a suitable location. He was a man of fine intellect and great force of character.

#### MARRIED IN 1785

Following his marriage in 1785, to Miss Jane Lewis, Thomas Maxwell and wife settled in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, where his father-in-law, Alexander Lewis, resided, from December 10, 1783, to August 25, 1790.

#### LAND OWNER IN LANCASTER COUNTY

Alexander Lewis and Mary Smith Lewis, his wife, then residents of Lewisburgh, Buffalo Township, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, conveyed to Jane Lewis Maxwell, their daughter, wife of Thomas Maxwell, on August 16, 1791, 200 acres of land in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, for and in consideration of 5 pounds lawful hard money of the State of Pennsylvania.

Here Thomas Maxwell and wife, Jane Lewis Maxwell, and their children, continued to reside until March 13, 1792, when they sold the aforesaid tract of 200 acres of land in Colerain township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, to Robert Ferguson and Jane, his wife, of Little Britain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, for the consideration of 293 pounds and 15 shillings of good and lawful money of Pennsylvania, in hand paid.

#### AN EARLY SETTLER

Three years subsequent to the death of her husband, Thomas Maxwell, who died in 1796, Mrs. Jane Lewis Maxwell, his widow,





removed, with her children, to Brown's Creek, Harrison County, then Virginia, settling on land belonging to Colonel William Lowther. She lived afterward at Lost Creek, and her last home was at Jane Lew, Lewis County, then Virginia, now West Virginia.

Abner Maxwell, her son was the owner of a tract of eighty-eight acres situated on both sides of Brown's Creek, Harrison County, then Virginia, prior to February 19, 1810, on which date he disposed of the property to Levi Maxwell, his brother, who was the father of Judge Edwin Maxwell, 1825-1903, of Harrison County, West Virginia.

#### CONGRESSMAN LEWIS MAXWELL

Her son, Lewis Maxwell, 1790-1862, lawyer, surveyor, and member of Congress from 1827 to 1833, was one of the founders of Weston, West Virginia. He later purchased the Jacob Bonnett farm, the present site of Jane Lew, and divided it into town lots in 1835. There were several purchasers of lots, and within a few months a half dozen or more dwellings were in process of construction. A store was established in the village in 1837, by S. P. Jackson, which was operated by Blackwell Jackson until 1844, when he established a store of his own. Blackwell Jackson was also an early merchant at West Milford, then Virginia.

#### HOW JANE LEW GOT ITS NAME

Congressman Lewis Maxwell named Jane Lew in honor of his mother, whose christian name was Jane, and himself, whose name, abbreviated, was Lew—hence Jane Lew.

#### CHILDREN OF THOMAS MAXWELL AND JANE LEWIS

The children born to Thomas Maxwell and Jane Lewis were:

1. Abner Maxwell, born in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, in 1785; died 1864, in Harrison County, West Virginia.
2. Levi Maxwell, born in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, July 25, 1788; died November 13, 1884, in Weston, West Virginia.
3. Lewis Maxwell, born in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, in 1790; died February 13, 1862, at his homestead near West Union, Doddridge County, then Virginia, now West Virginia. (William Brent Maxwell, born April 27, 1850, in Doddridge County, then



Virginia, was at the home of Congressman Lewis Maxwell, before named, at the time of his death February 13, 1862, as previously stated. Congressman Lewis Maxwell was a son of Thomas and Jane Lewis Maxwell, and a brother of Abner, Levi, Robert, Amy and Mary Maxwell, all of whom are included in this list.)

4. Robert Maxwell, born in Colerain Township, Lancaster County, February 19, 1791; died at ~~Lost Creek, West Virginia~~ *near Gardington, Ohio, February, 1884.*
5. Amy Maxwell, born circa 1792; died May 23, 1847.
6. Mary Maxwell, born circa 1794.

#### SON OF THOMAS MAXWELL AND JANE LEWIS

(1) Abner Maxwell, 1785-1864, son of Thomas and Jane Lewis Maxwell, was united in marriage April 16, 1810, in Harrison County, Virginia, with Miss Susanna Davisson, who was born 1788, and died August 4, 1826, aged thirty-eight years. She was a daughter of Jonah Davisson, Harrison County, Virginia, pioneer. Both are buried in the Adkinson cemetery, one-half mile above Mount Clare, Harrison County, West Virginia, on lands now (1928) owned by H. T. Adkinson heirs.

#### BROWN'S CREEK REALTY OWNER

Abner Maxwell sold to Levi Maxwell, February 19, 1810, eighty-eight acres on both sides of Brown's Creek, Harrison County, Virginia, price \$200.00.

Abner Maxwell sold to Lewis Maxwell, June 1, 1844, 737 acres on Brown's Creek, Harrison County, then Virginia.

#### SERVED IN WAR OF 1812

The records of the War Department show that Abner Maxwell served in the War of 1812 as an ensign in Captain John Bozarth's Company of Infantry, Fifth Regiment, Virginia Militia, commanded at various times by Lieutenant Colonel Waddy Street and Lieutenant Colonel Isaac Booth. His service commenced August 30, 1814, and ended March 19, 1815. His son, Franklin Maxwell, 1814-1892, was born on Brown's Creek, Harrison County, Virginia, in 1814, during the time he (Abner Maxwell, the father) was in the army.





## CHILDREN OF ABNER MAXWELL AND SUSANNA DAVISSON

Born to this union:

1. Marshall Maxwell, born 1811.
2. Franklin Maxwell, born 1814; died July 4, 1892, of whom further.
3. Mary Maxwell, born 1816; died February 6, 1858.
4. Levi Maxwell, born July 2, 1819; died July 19, 1903.
5. Williams Maxwell, born 1821; died September, 1896.

Abner Maxwell, 1785-1864, married for his second wife, Judith Moddisett, January 21, 1828, in Harison County, Virginia.

## CHILDREN OF ABNER MAXWELL AND JUDITH MODDISETT

Born to this union:

1. Frances Jane Maxwell; died July 27, 1892.
2. Lewis Maxwell, born May 18, 1831.
3. Charles Maxwell, born May 18, 1831.
4. Amy Marion Maxwell, born 1833.
5. James Maxwell, born 1837, died at West Union, Doddridge County, West Virginia, Tuesday morning at 12:20 o'clock, October 19, 1926, aged eighty-nine years. (James Maxwell was a half brother of Franklin Maxwell, who was born in 1814, and died July 4, 1892.)
6. Robert Maxwell.

All of the above children of Abner Maxwell left numerous descendants, but only the record of Franklin Maxwell will be given below.

## SENATOR FRANKLIN MAXWELL

Franklin Maxwell, born 1814, on Brown's Creek, in Harrison County, Virginia, died in Doddridge County, West Virginia, July 4, 1892, aged seventy-eight years. He was united in marriage in Harrison County, Virginia, with Miss Frances Jane Reynolds, born circa 1819, Reverend Elias Bruen officiating, November 29, 1839. She was a daughter of John Reynolds.

At the time of Franklin Maxwell's death, July 4, 1892, he was the sole owner of 25,000 acres of land in Harrison, Doddridge and adjoining counties.

Franklin Maxwell was elected a member of the state senate in 1872, the senatorial district then embracing the counties of Harrison, Lewis, Ritchie, Gilmer and Doddridge.



Squire John Reynolds, Junior, the father of Frances Jane Reynolds, was born in Virginia. He came here October 27, 1795, locating near Clarksburg, where he was the owner of 1,000 acres of land. He married first a Miss Philips, and two children were born to this union, namely: Thomas P. Reynolds, born April 11, 1798, who died in 1854; and Lovey Reynolds, who married, June 11, 1813, Benjamin Stout. She died at Bridgeport.

#### CHILDREN OF JOHN REYNOLDS AND FANNIE ROGERS

John Reynolds married for his second wife, Miss Fannie Rogers, in Harrison County, Virginia, October 18, 1803. She was the daughter of Edward Rogers, of Harrison County. She died in 1831, he died in 1851.

Born to this second union:

1. Lemuel E. Reynolds, who died prior to 1895.
2. Washington G. Reynolds, who married Elizabeth L. Mitchell, October 15, 1839, Reverend Elias Bruen officiating. Their son, Aloylus Reynolds, born October 17, 1840, who died September 20, 1915, was married May 3, 1860, to Alice J. Gore, daughter of Truman and Lydia George Gore. A daughter, Fannie E. Reynolds, became the wife of Jasper Y. Moore, October 16, 1862, Reverend James J. Page officiating.
3. John W. Reynolds, father of the late Charles Reynolds.
4. James W. Reynolds, who married Dolly M. Hornor, December 15, 1842, Elder James S. Griffin officiating.
5. Ai J. Reynolds, born September 1, 1824, died February 1, 1907. He married, November 19, 1861, Lydia E. Gore, daughter of Truman and Lydia George Gore. The children born to this union were: Cora Lee Reynolds, who died at the age of 18 years; Frank L. Reynolds, Clyde Reynolds, and Frances Reynolds (Cranwell), of Clarksburg and Fairmount. Ai J. Reynolds was the owner of 575 acres of improved land.

#### GOVERNOR HOWARD MASON GORE

6. Harriet P. Reynolds, married April 10, 1828, Ludwell L. Rogers, Reverend Jesse Flowers officiating. Born to this union: Marietta P. Rogers, born April 28, 1842, and married May 20, 1860, to Solomon D. Gore, to which union were born: William F. L. Gore, stockman; Claude W. Gore, attorney; Dr. Truman E. Gore, proprietor of the Gore Hotel; and Honorable Howard Mason Gore,





Governor of West Virginia, and a recent member of President Coolidge's cabinet.

7. Lucinda Reynolds, who married, June 2, 1835, Thomas Bailey.
8. Frances Jane Reynolds, who married, as previously stated, November 29, 1839, Franklin Maxwell, 1814-1892, Reverend Elias Bruen officiating, in Harrison County, Virginia.

#### CHILDREN OF FRANKLIN MAXWELL AND FRANCES JANE REYNOLDS

Born to the union of Franklin Maxwell and Frances Jane Reynolds:

1. Leeman Maxwell, born November 29, 1840; died September 6, 1920.
2. Lewis Maxwell, born February 21, 1843, living.
3. Porter Maxwell, born April 3, 1845, died September 13, 1928.
4. Rector Maxwell, born February 16, 1848; died February 10, 1886.
5. William Brent Maxwell, born April 27, 1850, living.
6. Harriet Payne Maxwell, born September 12, 1853; died September 20, 1890.
7. Mary Martha Maxwell, born May 23, 1855; died December 5, 1860.
8. Franklin Post Maxwell, born December 7, 1857; died February 15, 1880.
9. Frances Jane Maxwell, born September 20, 1859; died December 17, 1878.
10. Susan Alice Maxwell, born July 19, 1861; died August 5, 1883.

#### SON OF FRANKLIN MAXWELL AND FRANCES JANE REYNOLDS

(1) Leeman Maxwell, born in Doddridge County, Virginia, November 29, 1840, died September 6, 1920; he was united in marriage with Miss Columbia Bassel, November 9, 1887, daughter of Henry and Mary Davis Bassel, and granddaughter of Benjamin Bassel, who came from Connecticut and settled in Clarksburg, Virginia, in 1803. He (Benjamin Bassel) served in the Legislature at Richmond, Virginia, and was justice of the peace for many years. He died in 1856. Henry Bassel was a farmer and died February 15, 1887. Leeman Maxwell was



the owner of 7,500 acres of improved land at the time of his death.

#### CHILDREN OF LEEMAN MAXWELL AND COLUMBIA BASSEL

Born to the union of Leeman Maxwell and Columbia Bassel:

1. Leeman Bassell Maxwell, born August 22, 1888; resides at Salem, West Virginia. He is the owner of the Duck Creek, Harrison County acreage.
2. Franklin Henry Maxwell, born June 20, 1891; died April 20, 1911.
3. Mary Frances Maxwell, born April 20, 1894; died June 28, 1909.
4. Jane Columbia Maxwell, born October 18, 1896, who was united in marriage, October 15, 1914, with Attorney Louis A. Henderson, a prominent lawyer, who was born September 2, 1890. They reside at West Union, West Virginia.

Born to Attorney Louis A. Henderson and Jane Columbia Maxwell:

1. Mary Luella Henderson, born December 27, 1917.
2. Justin Maxwell Henderson, born May 30, 1919.

#### SON OF FRANKLIN MAXWELL AND FRANCES JANE REYNOLDS

(2) Lewis Maxwell, born in Doddridge County, Virginia, February 21, 1843, married (first) December 4, 1867, Miss Alice Harper, daughter of Henry and Sarah Harper, of Delaware. She was born in 1848 and died December 23, 1884, at West Union, West Virginia, after having become the mother of seven children, namely: Frances J., born September 11, 1869; died September 14, 1901; Clarence, L. B., Frank, Grace, Susie P. and Alice I., born 1873, who died July 21, 1886, aged thirteen years.

In 1886 Lewis Maxwell married his second wife, Miss Sarah E. Givens, who was born in 1868, and died in 1908. She was the daughter of John W. and Martha Givens, and a native of Ohio. Lewis Maxwell is the owner of 6,000 acres of improved farm lands.

#### CHILDREN OF LEWIS MAXWELL AND SARAH E. GIVENS

Born to this union:

1. Edwin Maxwell, born August 14, 1889.
2. Everett Maxwell, born July 7, 1891.
3. Howard Maxwell, born August 21, 1893, and probably others.





### SON OF FRANKLIN MAXWELL AND FRANCIS JANE REYNOLDS

(3) Porter Maxwell, born in Doddridge County, Virginia, April 3, 1845, married April 29, 1869, Miss Virginia Columbia Post. Mr. Maxwell resided in Harrison County, West Virginia. Mr. Maxwell was the owner of 6,000 acres of fine grazing land.

### CHILDREN OF PORTER MAXWELL AND VIRGINIA COLUMBIA POST

Born to this union:

1. Franklin Post Maxwell, born February 8, 1870, married June 20, 1895, Miss Reta B. Heavener.
2. Isaac Homer Maxwell, born September 20, 1871.
3. Lee Maxwell, born November 15, 1873, deceased; married February 9, 1899, Bopeep Katherine Smith.
4. Harriet Payne Maxwell, born March 19, 1877; married February 28, 1900, Hugh Jarvis.
5. Carrie Virginia Maxwell, born January 1, 1879; married, June 28, 1905, Judge Haymond Maxwell, son of Judge Edwin Maxwell.
6. Clay Maxwell, born September 24, 1880.
7. Emily Frances Maxwell, born September 26, 1882.
8. Blanche Virginia Maxwell, born September 30, 1888, married October 10, 1917, Samuel Robertson Harrison, Junior.

After the death of his first wife, Porter Maxwell was married to Miss Bertha B. Stout, the accomplished daughter of the late Benjamin B. Stout of Harrison County, West Virginia.

### SON OF FRANKLIN MAXWELL AND FRANCIS JANE REYNOLDS

(4) Rector Maxwell, born in Doddridge County, West Virginia, February 16, 1848, and died February 10, 1886.

### SON OF FRANKLIN MAXWELL AND FRANCIS JANE REYNOLDS

(5) William Brent Maxwell, born in Doddridge County, then Virginia, April 27, 1850, married, October 8, 1884, at the home of the bride's parents near West Milford, Reverend Henry J. Boatman officiating, Miss Emma Belle Williams. She was the daughter of the Reverend John A. Williams and Eleanor Young Williams, and the granddaughter of Thomas Williams, born November 8, 1783; Thomas Williams was a brother of Nathaniel Williams, born 1781, who was the father of Nancy Jane Williams, born 1808, who died November 21, 1890. Nancy Jane



Williams was a granddaughter of Captain David Maxwell, 1750-1820, of the Revolution. She married, February 28, 1828, Jacob Highland, the grandfather of Charles B., Virgil Lee, Franklin Earle, Isophene (Tetrick), Cecil Blaine and Scotland G. Highland, of Clarksburg, Fairmont and New Martinsville. Mr. Maxwell is the owner of 7,500 acres of improved farm lands in Harrison and Doddridge counties. Emma Belle Williams Maxwell was born January 1, 1865, and died April 17, 1891, in Harrison County, West Virginia.

#### CAPTAIN DAVID MAXWELL 1750-1820

Captain David Maxwell, born June 19, 1750, who died in Harrison County, Virginia, January 20, 1820, as above mentioned, was a son of Robert Maxwell, born November 1, 1719, who died October 23, 1769, and Joanna Maxwell, his wife, who died August 23, 1764; and was a grandson of Robert Maxwell, born August 19, 1691, died October 10, 1744, and Millicent Maxwell, his wife; and a great grandson of James and Alce Maxwell.

#### CHILDREN OF WILLIAM BRENT MAXWELL AND EMMA BELLE WILLIAMS

Born to the union of William Brent Maxwell and Emma Belle Williams were:

1. Susan Alice Maxwell, born August 8, 1885.
2. Claude Brent Maxwell, born March 15, 1891.

#### CHILDREN OF WILLIAM BRENT MAXWELL AND LILLIE JARVIS

William Brent Maxwell, married for his second wife, Miss Lillie Jarvis. She is a daughter of the late Lemuel D. and Martha McCann Jarvis, and sister of Hugh Jarvis, vice-president of the Union National Bank; Doctor Cecil C. Jarvis, both of Clarksburg, West Virginia, and Colonel Melville S. Jarvis, United States Army.

Born to this union:

1. Ruth Maxwell, born May 11, 1896, and married February 7, 1920, to Attorney Louis A. Johnson.
2. Franklin Jarvis Maxwell, born November 11, 1897.
3. William Brent Maxwell, born September 7, 1899.
4. Martha Lillian Maxwell, married September 8, 1927, James Hornor Davis, II., son of Mrs. Edward Resin Davis and the late Mr. Davis.





## CHILDREN OF FRANKLIN MAXWELL AND FRANCES JANE REYNOLDS

- (6) Harriet Payne Maxwell, born September 12, 1853, married May 23, 1882, to G. W. Brown. She died September 20, 1890.
- (7) Mary Martha Maxwell, born May 23, 1855; died December 5, 1860.
- (8) Franklin Post Maxwell, born December 7, 1857; died February 15, 1880.
- (9) Frances Jane Maxwell, born September 20, 1859, married May 2, 1878, to B. C. Bland. She died December 17, 1878.
- (10) Susan Alice Maxwell, born July 19, 1861; died August 5, 1883.

## SON OF THOMAS MAXWELL AND JANE LEWIS

2. Levi Maxwell, 1788-1884, son of Thomas and Jane Lewis Maxwell, was united in marriage March 23, 1823, with Miss Sarah Haymond, born December 15, 1796; died February 22, 1853. She was the daughter of Colonel John Haymond and Mary Wilson Haymond, pioneers of Northwestern Virginia.

## CHILDREN OF LEVI MAXWELL AND SARAH HAYMOND

Born to this union:

- 1. Angelina Maxwell, born December 26, 1823; died August 3, 1864.
- 2. EDWIN MAXWELL, born July 16, 1825; died February 5, 1903.
- 3. John Maxwell, born May 24, 1827; died June 23, 1860.
- 4. RUFUS MAXWELL, born October 18, 1828; died September, 1907.
- 5. Semira Maxwell, born May 17, 1830; died November 15, 1851.
- 6. Mary Jane Maxwell, born January 23, 1832; died March 30, 1917.

## DAUGHTER OF LEVI MAXWELL AND SARAH HAYMOND

- (1) Angelina Maxwell, born December 26, 1823, died August 3, 1864.



## SON OF LEVI MAXWELL AND SARAH HAYMOND

(2) Edwin Maxwell, born July 16, 1825, at Weston, married in 1872, Miss Loretta Shuttleworth, who died in 1895. She was the daughter of Captain John Shuttleworth. Judge Edwin Maxwell was a Clarksburg lawyer; he was educated in the schools of Lewis County; studied law under Lewis Maxwell; admitted to the bar, 1848; politically he was a Republican. He served as prosecuting attorney for Doddridge County, two terms; was a member of the law firm of Despard, Maxwell and Goff; chairman of the judiciary committee in first state senate, 1863, and was appointed attorney general by Governor Boreman, 1866. He was judge of the supreme court of appeals from 1867-1873; candidate for governor, 1884; member of the state senate from 1889-1893; member of the house of delegates in 1893 and 1903, and died at Charleston, during session of the legislature, February 5, 1903.

## CHILDREN OF JUDGE EDWIN MAXWELL AND LORETTA SHUTTLEWORTH

Born to this union:

1. Edwin Maxwell, born November 16, 1873.
2. Haymond Maxwell, born at Clarksburg, October 24, 1879, married, June 28, 1905, Reverend S. K. Arbuthnot officiating, Miss Carrie Virginia Maxwell, daughter of Porter and Virginia Columbia Post Maxwell.

## JUDGE HAYMOND MAXWELL

Haymond Maxwell was educated in the public schools and at the West Virginia University; he was graduated from the latter institution with the degree of B. A., in 1900; and of B. L., in 1901. He was admitted to the bar in 1901, and practiced law with his father, Judge Edwin Maxwell, under the firm name of Maxwell and Maxwell; was a member of the House of Delegates, 1905; a Republican in politics; was judge of the criminal court from May 7, 1909, to December 31, 1912; was presiding judge of the Circuit Court of Harrison and Lewis counties from January 1, 1913, to December 31, 1925, when he retired from the bench to enter actively upon the practice of law, under the firm name of Steptoe, Maxwell and Johnson. Republican nominee, August 15, 1928, for judge of the State Supreme Court of Appeals for a twelve-year term; was appointed to that tribunal August 18, 1928, by Governor H. M. Gore to serve the unexpired term of the late Judge Wm. N. Miller.





## SON OF LEVI MAXWELL AND SARAH HAYMOND

(3) John Maxwell, born May 24, 1827, married Emilene Shannon. He died June 23, 1860. He was a civil engineer and architect. He designed the Upshur County courthouse at Buckhannon and assisted in the surveys of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad between Grafton and Parkersburg.

## SON OF LEVI MAXWELL AND SARAH HAYMOND

(4) Rufus Maxwell, born in Lewis County, October 19, 1828, married June 1, 1852, Miss Sarah Jane Bonnifield, born July 14, 1834, died February 16, 1897, a daughter of Arnold Bonnifield. He died September, 1907; Rufus Maxwell was a lawyer, county surveyor of Tucker County, a member of the Legislature, superintendent of schools and district attorney in 1856.

## CHILDREN OF RUFUS MAXWELL AND SARAH JANE BONNIFIELD

Twelve children were born to this union, among whom were:

1. Wilson Bonnifield Maxwell, born April 17, 1853; married July 14, 1876, to Miss Caroline Howell Lindsay. He is a lawyer. Born to this union were twelve children, among whom was: Claude Wilson Maxwell, born July 28, 1877; married June 4, 1903, to Miss Ellen M. White; he is an able lawyer at Elkins.
2. Hu Maxwell, noted author, journalist and poet, was born September 22, 1860; died at Evanston, Illinois, August 20, 1927, and was buried in Oak Grove Cemetery, Morgantown, West Virginia. He married December 9, 1891, Miss Anna H. Humphreys. He was an historian of high repute and had traveled extensively. Hu Maxwell is survived by his widow, and three children, namely: Selby Frederick Maxwell, Mrs. Marian Maxwell Halstead, and Alexander Wilson Maxwell.
3. Cyrus Haymond Maxwell, born March 22, 1863; married July 6, 1887, to Miss Melvina Jane Adams. He is a prominent physician of Morgantown, West Virginia.
4. Charles Joseph Maxwell, born February 23, 1871, and resides at Dallas, Texas, where he is manager of Ginn and Company, publishers, established in 1867. For some years prior to 1904 he was a teacher at Kaufman, Texas. He is the author of several recent genealogical books.



## DAUGHTERS OF LEVI MAXWELL AND SARAH HAYMOND

(5) Semira Maxwell, born May 17, 1830; died November 15, 1851.

(6) Mary Jane Maxwell, born January 23, 1832; died March 30, 1917.

## SON OF THOMAS MAXWELL AND JANE LEWIS

(3) Lewis Maxwell, 1790-1862, son of Thomas and Jane Lewis Maxwell, was united in marriage in 1844, with Miss Sophronia Wilson, who preceded him in death. He was a lawyer, surveyor and member of Congress from 1827 to 1833; a man of considerable estate, being the most extensive landholder in the region, and of professional prominence. He left no children, and died February 13, 1862, at his homestead near West Union, Doddridge County, then Virginia, now West Virginia, as previously stated.

## SON OF THOMAS MAXWELL AND JANE LEWIS

(4) Robert Maxwell, born 1791, son of Thomas and Jane Lewis Maxwell, was united in marriage in Harrison County, Virginia, March 16, 1812, Rev. Joseph Chevront officiating, with Miss Rebecca Estlack, daughter of Thomas and Rebecca Estlack. Thomas Estlack died in 1822; Robert Maxwell lived at Lost Creek, Harrison County, Virginia, until 1832, when he removed to Ohio, where he became a large land owner. After the death of his first wife, Rebecca Estlack, who was born November 6, 1792, and died May 9, 1843, he married again and returned to Harrison County, West Virginia. He died at Lost Creek, West Virginia. Robert Maxwell purchased, in July, 1816, 120½ acres on Stone Pot, Harrison County, Virginia, and on December 15, 1817, he purchased 91 acres on Lost Creek, from Thomas and Rebecca Estlack.

## CHILDREN OF ROBERT MAXWELL AND REBECCA ESTLACK

Born to this union:

1. Thomas Jefferson Maxwell, born January 27, 1813; died September 3, 1852.
2. Frances Black Maxwell, born April 21, 1815; died March 17, 1844.
3. Jane Lewis Maxwell, died April 26, 1820.
4. Amy Countess Maxwell, died May 31, 1820.





5. Rebecca Howell Maxwell, born March 23, 1821.
6. Meigs Lewis Maxwell, born July 19, 1823.
7. Caroline Amanda Maxwell, born December 24, 1825.
8. Mary Malvina Maxwell, born June 27, 1828.
9. Robert Corydon Maxwell, born January 19, 1832; died August 1, 1843.
10. Emma Ann Maxwell, born August 6, 1834; died January 15, 1881.

#### DAUGHTER OF THOMAS MAXWELL AND JANE LEWIS

(5) Amy Maxwell, born circa 1792; died May 23, 1847. She was the daughter of Thomas and Jane Lewis Maxwell and married, August 7, 1825, John Peck, who was born in Watertown, Connecticut, February 20, 1798. Eight children were born to this union.

#### DAUGHTER OF THOMAS MAXWELL AND JANE LEWIS

(6) Mary Maxwell, born circa 1794, daughter of Thomas and Jane Lewis Maxwell, was married in 1813, in Harrison County, Virginia, to John Switzer, Rev. John Mitchell officiating. Five children were born to this union.

#### DAUGHTER OF ALEXANDER LEWIS AND MARY SMITH

(5) Mary Lewis, daughter of Alexander Lewis, 1730-1814, and Mary Smith Lewis, circa 1735-1799, was born in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, February 5, 1769.

#### SON OF ALEXANDER LEWIS AND MARY SMITH

(6) Alexander Smith Lewis, son of Alexander Lewis, 1730-1814, and Mary Smith Lewis, circa 1735-1799, was born in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, December 8, 1770; married Mary and died at Weston, Virginia, May 19, 1799.

#### RANDOLPH COUNTY LAND OWNER

James Lindley, saddler, of London Grove Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, sold, on April 1, 1790, to Alexander Smith Lewis, then of Colerain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, 340 acres of land on Three Lick Run, a branch of the Buckhannon River, Randolph County, Virginia, this 340 acres being part of a 1,200-acre grant from the State of Virginia to James Lindley, assignee of Edward Jackson, who was assignee



of Henry Banks, who was assignee of David Anderson, by Land Office Treasury Warrant Number 21741, of Virginia, issued on the 4th day of December, 1741, consideration 127 pounds.

#### LANCASTER COUNTY REALTY OWNER

On July 25, 1793, Alexander Lewis and Mary, his wife, of Lewisburgh, then Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, sold to Alexander Smith Lewis, their son, 250 acres of land in Cole-rain Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, for the consideration of 500 pounds.

Alexander Smith Lewis and his wife, Mary, sold the 340-acre tract of land on Three Lick Run in Randolph County, Virginia, August 17, 1795, to Richard Bond, then a resident of Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, for 175 pounds.

#### OWNS FARM IN NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY

Richard Bond and his wife, Mary, of Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, conveyed to Alexander Smith Lewis, of Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, on August 17, 1795, 100 acres of land in Northumberland County, Pennsylvania. This tract of land was sold by Alexander Smith Lewis and Mary, his wife, January 7, 1797, to George Miller, for the cash price of 550 pounds.

#### SON OF ALEXANDER LEWIS AND MARY SMITH

(7) John Lewis, son of Alexander Lewis, 1730-1814, and Mary Smith Lewis, circa 1735-1799, was born in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, May 10, 1773; died August 9, 1799.

#### SON OF ALEXANDER LEWIS AND MARY SMITH

(8) Ebenezer Lewis, son of Alexander Lewis, 1730-1814, and Mary Smith Lewis, circa 1735-1799, was born in Chester County, Province of Pennsylvania, May 10, 1773; died June 17, 1775.

#### THE LATE JOSEPH SMITH HARRIS

Joseph Smith Harris was a direct lineal descendant of John Smith of this record, who was born in 1655. Mr. Harris was one of nine children born to Stephen Harris, born September 4, 1798; died November 18, 1851, at Philadelphia, who was united in marriage with Miss Marianne Smith, April 4, 1833, who was





born April 2, 1805, and died March 12, 1890. She was a daughter of Joseph Smith, born September 24, 1770; died December 18, 1845, an iron master and shipping merchant of Philadelphia, and Mary Frazer, born January 14, 1780, died May 23, 1862, who were married February 27, 1800. Joseph Smith's father was Col. Robert Smith of the Revolution, born at sea in 1720. He married, December 20, 1758, Miss Margaret Vaughan, and died December, 1803; and Mary Frazer's father was Col. Persifor Frazer, who also was a Revolutionary officer.

#### HIGHLAND, PATTON, MAXWELL FAMILIES

Colonel Robert Smith, of the Revolution, was a brother of Mary Smith who married in 1760, Alexander Lewis, 1730-1814, the latter two the maternal ancestors of the Patton, Highland, Maxwell clan of Harrison County, West Virginia.

Stephen Harris, father of Joseph Smith Harris, above mentioned, was educated at the Chester County Academy, and was graduated in 1819, as M. D. of the University of Pennsylvania. He was an elder in the East Whiteland Presbyterian Church, which was built almost entirely by his exertions, and largely by his contributions of money.

Joseph Smith Harris graduated from the Central High School, Philadelphia, with the highest honors.

#### A PIONEER RAILROAD ENGINEER

Upon leaving school in 1853, he entered the service of the North Pennsylvania Railroad Company, in which he rose to the rank of topographer. Upon leaving this work, upon the completion of the surveys in which he was engaged, he entered, in the fall of 1854, the service of the United States Government, in which he remained nearly ten years. He served for about two years in the Coast Survey in Mississippi Sound, spent the season of 1850, in Kentucky, running a base line for the Kentucky Geological Survey, and in 1857, was appointed one of the astronomers of the Northwest Boundary Survey. He remained nearly five years on the extreme northwestern frontier of the United States, in what are now the states of Washington, Idaho and in the province of British Columbia. In the season of 1862, he was, at first, the first officer, and later was in command of the United States steamer *Sachem* on duty with Farragut's fleet in the Mississippi.



### PRESIDENT OF READING RAILROAD COMPANY

Leaving the service of the United States Government in 1864, he removed to Pottsville, Pennsylvania, joining there his brother, Stephen, in business. He was engaged there in civil and mining engineering for a number of years until he was called to New York, in 1880, as general manager of the Central Railroad of New Jersey. In 1882 he was elected president of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company and removed to Philadelphia. On May 1, 1893, he was appointed the managing receiver, and elected president of The Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company and The Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company. He held these presidencies until his retirement, April 3, 1901. During the same periods he was a director of the above mentioned companies, and continued as such until his death on June 2, 1910. Under his administration the Reading Company, which, under the reorganization of the two companies above named, became the owner of their capital stock, was able to resume, in 1900, the payment of dividends which had been intermittent since 1876.

Honorable Agnew T. Dice, of Philadelphia, is now (1928) president of the Reading Company, with offices in the Reading Terminal, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

### RECEIVES DOCTOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE

In June, 1903, Joseph Smith Harris was given the degree of "Doctor of Science" by Franklin and Marshall College.

June 20, 1865, he married his first wife, the mother of all his children, Delia Silliman Brodhead, who was born January 20, 1842, and died August 19, 1880. She was the second daughter of George Hamilton Brodhead, of New York, for many years secretary of the New York Stock Exchange, and later its vice-president and president, and his wife, born Julia Ann Phelps.

His second wife, Emily Eliza Potts, born July 14, 1843, died December 29, 1900. She was a daughter of George Henry Potts, president of the National Park Bank, New York, and his wife, born Emily Dilworth Cumming.

His third wife, Anna Zelia Potts, was born June 11, 1850.

### CHILDREN OF JOSEPH SMITH HARRIS AND DELIA SILLIMAN BRODHEAD

The children of Joseph Smith Harris and Delia Silliman Brodhead, his first wife, were:

1. Marian Frazer Harris, born December 3, 1866.





2. George Brodhead Harris, born September 3, 1868.
3. Frances Brodhead Harris, born March 15, 1870.
4. Clinton Gardner Harris, born March 18, 1872.
5. Madeline Vaughan Harris, born November 5, 1873.

#### BRIEF MENTION OF THESE CHILDREN FOLLOW

(1) Marian Frazer Harris, born December 3, 1866, unmarried.

(2) George Brodhead Harris, born September 3, 1868, married June 12, 1896, Miss Elizabeth Holbert, born June 21, 1867, daughter of Albert Ruggles Holbert, and his wife, born Mary Henrietta Wisner, of Warwick, Orange County, New York.

(3) Frances Brodhead Harris, born March 15, 1870, married June 4, 1895, Reynolds Driver Brown, born May 6, 1869, son of Henry W. Brown, and his wife, born Alice P. Driver, of Philadelphia. Reynolds Driver Brown was graduated at Harvard University, A. B., 1890, and at the law school of the University of Pennsylvania, 1894. He was, in 1905, a member of the law firm of Burr, Brown and Lloyd, Philadelphia, and was a professor of law at the University of Pennsylvania in 1905. His wife was graduated at Bryn Mawr College in 1892.

(4) Clinton Gardner Harris, born March 18, 1872, was graduated at the University of Pennsylvania, B. S. 1892; B. Arch. 1893; he was in the office of Cope and Stewardson, Philadelphia, for several years; studied architecture in Paris and elsewhere in Europe from 1899 to 1902, and in 1905 was in the office of Warren and Wetmore, architects, New York City.

(5) Madeline Vaughan Harris, born November 5, 1873, married November 14, 1900, Henry Ingersoll Brown, born May 7, 1870, son of Henry W. Brown, and his wife, born Alice P. Driver, of Philadelphia. He was a member of the class of 1891 at the University of Pennsylvania. He was a member of the insurance firm of Henry W. Brown and Company, of Philadelphia, in 1905. His wife was graduated at Bryn Mawr College, 1895.

#### JOSEPH SMITH HARRIS' RECORDS

The search for material for the Smith-Fulton genealogical lines was commenced in 1873, and vigorously prosecuted until December 31, 1905, by Honorable Joseph Smith Harris, before named, born April 29, 1836, who died in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, June 2, 1910.

All possible credit is due to the labors of the late Mr. Harris, for the development of the very early Smith-Fulton genealogical



history. Without access to the data collected and preserved by him, the story of the earlier forebears of this record might have remained unknown.

Mr. Harris was president of the Reading Railroad Company, with offices in Philadelphia, from May 1, 1893, until his retirement, April 3, 1901, and continued as a director of the said company until his death.

### CONCLUSION

This article terminates the author's pleasant task of rescuing names of historical value from the enshrouding mist of the past, and framing them for preservation in written words.

In collecting the materials necessary for compiling this genealogical and historical narrative, I have diligently sought access to every possible source of information, through a period of twenty-one years.

Whether the best judgment has been exercised in the selection of materials from the mass of documentary data now in my care, and the happiest arrangement adopted, is not for me to decide. I have striven to make the fairest use of them.

### JUST A PRAYER AT TWILIGHT

Fervently do I hope there may ever be religiously taught in each of the hundreds of homes of the descendants of Alexander Lewis, 1730-1814, and Mary Smith Lewis, 1735-1799, his wife, both of them revered Harrison County, Virginia, pioneers, a practical observance of the true spirit of Van Dyke's "Inscription for a Friend's House:"

### A FRIEND'S HOUSE

"The lintel low enough to keep out pomp and pride;  
The threshold high enough to turn deceit aside;  
The doorband strong enough from robbers to defend;  
This door will open at the touch of every friend."

### SCOTLAND G. HIGHLAND'S RESEARCH WORK

Scotland G. Highland, born August 7, 1879, at the Highland Homestead, known in 1785, as the "Indian Camping Place," near West Milford, Harrison County, West Virginia, single, general manager of the Clarksburg, West Virginia, water plant and system, first began genealogical and other serious research work in 1906; since which time he has collected, by diligent labor, a mass of documentary evidence on divers subjects, in addition to the costly data given in this story.





## GRATEFUL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Charles Joseph Maxwell, born February 23, 1871, single, son of Rufus Maxwell and Sarah Jane Bonniifield Maxwell, of Tucker County, West Virginia, nephew of the late Judge Edwin Maxwell, of Clarksburg, and brother of Honorable Hu Maxwell, deceased, who was an historian of wide repute, is the genealogical historian of the Maxwell family. Mr. Maxwell is the manager of Ginn and Company, publishers, established in 1867, and resides in Dallas, Texas.

Grateful acknowledgment is made to the following: Judge Charles I. Landis, presiding judge, over the second judicial district, Lancaster, Pennsylvania; Honorable H. Frank Eshleman, attorney and historian, Lancaster, Pennsylvania; Lancaster County Historical Society, Lancaster, Pennsylvania; Agnew T. Dice, president of the Reading Railroad Company, Philadelphia; Honorable H. H. Nissley, recorder of deeds, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and to the Macmillan Company of New York.

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## HISTORICAL NARRATIVE OF CLARKSBURG AND WEST MILFORD SCHOOLMATES SEVENTY-TWO YEARS AGO

Story in Honor of Childhood Friends of

LUCINDA EARLE PATTON HIGHLAND

Who Was Born in the Placid, Peaceful Village of West Milford,  
Harrison County, (Virginia) West Virginia, April 3, 1851

## FORMER CHILDHOOD PLAYMATES, FRIENDS AND SWEETHEARTS PASS IN HONORED REVIEW

Names Pioneer Merchants, School-Teachers, Editors and  
Court Justices

Lucinda Earle Patton Highland, widow of the late Captain John Edgar Highland, quietly celebrated April 3, 1928, at her home in the placid, peaceful town of West Milford, the seventy-seventh anniversary of her birth.

Mrs. Highland was born in the hamlet of West Milford, Harrison County, Virginia (now West Virginia), April 3, 1851, at 7:30 A. M., daughter of attorney Ebenezer Wilson Patton, born



on Duck Creek, Harrison County, then Virginia, May 12, 1822, married (second) July 6, 1847, Sarah (Sally) Ann Carder, and granddaughter of Col. Alexander Lewis Patton, born July 23, 1789, died near West Milford, West Virginia, May 21, 1866, married at Clarksburg, then Virginia, July 19, 1814, Ruth Smith, born in Clermont County, Ohio, May 31, 1798, died near West Milford, Harrison County, then Virginia, August 7, 1848, daughter of James and Hester (Esther) Morris Smith (the latter born in Berks County, Pennsylvania, May 27, 1771, and died July 28, 1854, in Brown County, Ohio, a sister of Hon. Thomas Morris, born Berks County, Pennsylvania, Jan. 3, 1776, died in Clermont County, Ohio, Dec. 7, 1844, United States senator from Ohio (1833-1839), nominee of the Liberal Party Aug. 30, 1843, for vice-president); granddaughter of Rev. Isaac Morris (1740-1830), and Ruth Henton Morris (1750-1839), of Harrison County, Virginia, now West Virginia, who were married April 11, 1766. Mrs. Highland, above named, is a great granddaughter of William Patton, born April 21, 1761, died near West Milford, then Virginia, July 28, 1826, and Susanna Lewis Patton, born in Chester County, Pennsylvania, Nov. 5, 1761, died near West Milford, Harrison County, Virginia, now West Virginia, Aug. 28, 1828, who settled on Duck Creek, Harrison County, then Virginia, circa 1800.

Lucinda Earle Patton Highland is a great great granddaughter of Major Samuel Earle (1692-1771), member of the Virginia House of Burgesses (1742-1747), attorney-at-law, graduate of William and Mary College, high sheriff, collector of tobacco for the Crown, and justice of the Frederick County, Virginia, Court, sitting with Thomas Lord Fairfax and others. Major Samuel Earle served in King George's War (1744-1748), and in the early part of the French and Indian War, which closed in 1763.

#### SIR JOHN EARLE (1614-1660)

Mrs. Highland is seventh in descent from Sir John Earle and Mary Symons Earle, the former born in Somersetshire, England, in 1614, and married in England in 1637; emigrated to America with their three children, John, Samuel and Mary Earle, in 1649, settling first in St. Mary's County, Maryland, and in 1652 permanently locating in what was then Northumberland County, afterward Westmoreland County, Virginia, where he was granted land patents from 1652 to 1655, aggregating 1,700 acres, for bringing thirty-four white persons into the Colony of Virginia. He died in 1660.





Mrs. Highland is a direct lineal descendant of the Earle, Davis, Henton, Symons, Patton, Hale, Bennett, Holbrook, Hoffman, Carder, Smith, Morris and Lewis families of Virginia, and Pennsylvania.

#### CAPTAIN EARLE OF THE REVOLUTION

Mrs. Highland's great grandfather, Captain Esaias Earle, and her great grandfather, Sanford Carder, both served in the War of the American Revolution, the former with the rank of captain in the Fifty-first Regiment of Virginia Militia, and the latter as a private in a Virginia company.

Sanford Carder was born in Culpeper County, Virginia, September 16, 1760, and died in Fayette County, Ohio, August 7, 1845. He married first Miss Nancy Hoffman, daughter of Conrad Hoffman, of Hampshire County, Virginia, in 1789, who died circa 1820. To this union was born James Carder, born in Romney, Hampshire County, Virginia, in 1791, died in Clarksburg, Virginia, May 24, 1859. While a resident of Hampshire County, Virginia, Sanford Carder enlisted in September, 1780, in the War of the Revolution, and served nearly six months as a private in Captain Daniel Richerson's Virginia Company.

Mr. Carder enlisted in April, 1781, and served eighteen months in Captain Gunn's Company, Col. Anthony White's Continental Dragoons; was in a battle with the Indians near Savannah.

#### PUPIL OF BELLE DAVISSON

Lucinda Earle Patton Highland spent the year 1859 in Clarksburg, staying with her step-grandmother, Jane Marteny Dolbeare, born in Randolph County, Virginia, Aug. 29, 1804, died May 19, 1869, daughter of William Marteny and Eunice Estburn Marteny, Randolph County surveyor, sheriff and member of the Legislature from Randolph County, Virginia, 1806-1826, and widow of the late Dr. Benjamin Dolbeare, born Oct. 28, 1789, died in Clarksburg, then Virginia, June 7, 1854, married in Randolph County, Virginia, May 13, 1824, an early Clarksburg editor and distinguished physician who lived from 1838 until his demise in a two-story, weather-boarded log house, situated on the southeast corner of Main Street and Monticello Avenue, Clarksburg, where his widow was residing in 1859.

Lucinda Earle Patton Highland attended the private school in Clarksburg in 1859 then conducted by the Misses Carrie and Belle Davisson, on the northeast corner of Main and Second streets.



After the death of his first wife, Eunice Estburn Marteny, William Marteny, above mentioned, was united in marriage with Miss Nancy Earle, daughter of Major Esaias Earle, and sister of Col. Archibald Earle, clerk of the Randolph County Court from 1810 to 1840, and sister of Lucinda Earle Carder, Mrs. Highland's grandmother.

#### CLARKSBURG SCHOOLMATES IN 1859

A list of Mrs. Highland's schoolmates at the Belle Davisson school in Clarksburg in 1859 follows:

Lettie Carlisle, Mary Carlisle and Dorsey Carlisle, daughters and son, respectively, of John S. Carlisle; Nora Steele, daughter of Samuel R. Steele, who married Col. Thomas T. Wallis; Anna Belle Stealey, daughter of Ned Stealey; Anna Fletcher, who married Jacob Swartz; Catherine (Kate) Leach, who married Thomas W. Tinsman; Dora Powell; Isophene (Icie) Powell, who married Jacob Koblegard, of Weston; Anna Irwin, daughter of John Irwin, merchant; India Lowther, daughter of Dr. John C. Lowther; Agnes Criss, daughter of Aaron Criss, merchant; George Criss, son of George Criss; Ella Hursey, daughter of Elmore Hursey, who married the Rev. T. S. Wade; Ella Foulks, who married Russell Post; Agnes Ridenour; Dora Ridenour; Margaret (Maggie) Smith, daughter of Alf (Alfred) Smith, who ran a stage coach between Clarksburg and Weston; Columbia Carder, daughter of Abbott Carder, merchant in Clarksburg in 1848, and granddaughter of James and Lucinda Earle Carder, proprietors of the old Northwestern Hotel in the early forties, later known as the Walker House; Maria Lida, daughter of the Reverend Andrew J. Lida; Bertha Spates, daughter of Col. Thomas W. Spates, who married Oliver P. Boughner; Kate Spates, daughter of Col. Thomas W. Spates; Susan M. Hornor, daughter of James Y. Hornor, who married Lee Haymond; James Hornor, son of James Y. Hornor; Emaline Link, daughter of Peter Link, who married Luther Haymond, son of Col. Luther Haymond, and brother of Col. Henry Haymond; Sarah (Sallie) Ebert, daughter of Walter Ebert, the latter and inn-keeper, who married Col. Fred A. Lang; Florence Ebert, daughter of Walter Ebert, who married William Dawson; Myra Haymond, daughter of Col. Luther Haymond, who married Mordecai Lewis; Alcinda Davisson, and Hugh Callaghan, who was later Captain Hugh Callaghan, superintendent of the Clarksburg City Water Works for nearly a quarter of a century.





## MESSAGE OF GOOD WILL

Most of these childhood friends and schoolmates of Mrs. Highland have passed over the great divide. Peace be to their tender memories! To those now living an affectionate message of esteem and good will is conveyed through the medium of this natal day story.

## WEST MILFORD SCHOOL TEACHERS, 1857-1866

The following is a roster of West Milford school teachers from 1857 to 1858, and from 1860 to 1866, whose schools Lucinda Earle Patton (Highland) attended:

James Hardway; John Edgar Highland, whom she later married; Julia Austin, daughter of Dr. Alexander M. Austin, who married Abraham Smith, of Clarksburg; Sarah Austin, who married John Highland, son of Thomas Highland; Henry Miller; Isaiah Bennett; James Thornberry, father of Jacob Thornberry; Olive Bartlett, and Thomas Rider.

## SCHOOLMATES OF LONG AGO

A partial list of Mrs. Highland's schoolmates at West Milford from 1857 to 1866 follows:

Virginia Holden, who married E. D. S. Reynolds; Almira Dew, wife of Dr. Rush H. Dew, and son of Dr. W. H. H. Dew; Benjamin Holden, and Hale Holden, sons of Smith Holden; Rachael Medskar, who married Jacob Thornberry; Mary Smith, daughter of Chapman Smith, who married Charles Davisson; Elizabeth Medskar; Dora Bartlett, and Charles Bartlett, children of Mrs. Olive Bartlett; Martin Ward, who married Jeannette Ramage; Ebenezer Ward, who married Fannie Thornberry; Mary Grow; Rebecca Grow; William Grow, who married Jane Wilcox; Mary Virginia Fox, daughter of Jacob Fox; James Allen Fox, son of Jacob Fox, who married Sarah Wilcox; John W. Fox, son of Jacob Fox, who married Laura Price, daughter of William Price; Lurena M. Fox, daughter of Jacob Fox, who married Samuel B. Hickman, later a civil war veteran; John Racey and Charles Racey, sons of John and Milla Minerva Maxwell Racey, the latter a daughter of Armstrong and Sudna Alcinda Lowther Maxwell; Amelia Lowther, daughter of Jesse and Mary Emily Maxwell Lowther, who married John Grow; Nancy Martin; Elizabeth Morrison; Lucy Rider; James I. Highland, who married Sarah Lynch, daughter of Hiram J. Lynch;



Lloyd Lowndes Highland; Mary Frances Highland; Virginia Waldeck, daughter of Henry Waldeck, and sister of E. W. P. Waldeck, who married Eliza Rector; Lillian Belle Patton, who married Charles Louis Dunnington, son of Noah Dunnington; Martha Jane Patton, who married Attorney Marshall B. Gooding, of Greenfield, Indiana, September 16, 1878; Daisy Ellen Patton, who married Frank R. Johnson, publisher, Washington, D. C.; Benjamin Patton, single, merchant; Ebenezer Wilson Patton, Jr., editor, Washington, D. C.; Lorenzo Dow Patton, born at West Milford, Virginia, May 27, 1861, married Miss Ida May Pearson, in Chicago, June 27, 1883; Lula Ruth Patton, youngest daughter of Ebenezer Wilson Patton, though not a schoolmate of those above mentioned, was born April 7, 1873, married Julian Dart, of Jacksonville, Florida, and their son Leroy Dart is married and has one son, Leroy Dart, Jr.

#### COURT REPORTER

Lorenzo Dow Patton held for a long number of years the country's record for rapid and accurate stenographic reporting; he learned stenography in the early years of his life at Clarksburg, and became official court reporter at the age of twenty-two years; he served continuously in this capacity for forty years, and until his death, December 29, 1923, he was official court reporter for the Henry Circuit Court, New Castle, Indiana.

#### ADDITIONAL SCHOOLMATES

The above mentioned Patton children were brothers and sisters of Lucinda Earle Patton Highland and were born in the Village of West Milford, Virginia. Other schoolmates were: Benjamin Huff, Floreed Huff, Margaret Huff, and Columbia Jane Huff, children of Benjamin and Matilda Stout Huff; Sarah Lynch, daughter of Hiram J. Lynch, who married James I. Highland; John R. Lynch, son of Hiram J. Lynch, who married Edith Sommerville, daughter of James Sommerville; Charles Wesley Lynch, son of Hiram J. Lynch, who married Mollie A. Hefner, daughter of Harvey and Eliza Highland Hefner; Enoch Lynch; Almira Davis, daughter of John Davis, who married Jacob Post; Estelle Davis, daughter of John Davis; James D. Hoff, son of Samuel Hoff, and grandson of Major John Hoff, who married Dr. Susan Dew; Jeannette Mick, daughter of Mathias and Jemima Mick, who married Frederick M. Sturm; Sarah Louise Mick, daughter of Mathias and Jemima Mick, who married William West, son of Jefferson West; Ruth Patton, daughter





of Luther Morris Patton; Philander Austin Highland, son of John Highland, who married Lulie Lorentz; Mollie Belle Highland, daughter of John Highland, who married Zacharia McChesney; Lulie Lorentz; Hester Lynch, daughter of Hiram J. and Jemima McConkey Lynch, who married Marshall Bartlett, brother of John Calvin Bartlett; Ida Lynch, daughter of Hiram J. Lynch, who married Granville Bartlett; Virginia Sheets, daughter of Washington Sheets, who married Elmore Stout; Mary Crawford, daughter of Ambrose Crawford, a tailor, who married J. Otis Stout; Jeannette Ramage; and Amy Minerva Hoff, daughter of Samuel Hoff, and granddaughter of Major John Hoff, who married Thomas Marion Smith, to which union were born Edward Grandison Smith and Harvey Faris Smith, prominent Clarksburg attorneys, and Ella Earle Smith, who married Floyd Morrison, and resides in Philadelphia.

#### WEST MILFORD MERCHANTS, 1851 TO 1928

The following is believed to be a fairly complete roster of West Milford merchants from 1851 to 1928, a span of seventy-seven years: Richard Perine, John Racey, Mr. Dent, Ebenezer Wilson Patton, Jacob Highland, John Edgar Highland, John Highland, James Carder, William Marteny Carder, Jasper Stires, Henry Miller, Frank Norris, Blackmore (Black) Jackson, Lemuel Sheets, John Fulkineer, Isaac Cox, James W. Young, Jacob M. Eib, Coleman Williams, Joseph Parrill, Jesse Rector, W. T. Meriman, C. A. Lawson, Charles Slusser, George Bartlett, Upton Dayton, Bennett Rider, William Lee, C. B. Morrison, Jacob Worthy Highland, E. Thaddeus Post, Calvin Burnside, Homer N. Wolfe, George W. Sturm, Blaine Sturm, Harry P. Sturm, James B. Clark, John Calvin Medskar, Ambrose C. Holden, R. C. Helmick, John Gaston, Howard B. Post, Samuel S. Floyd, Benjamin Ward, Whitfield B. Reed, Dorsey L. Reed, George Morrison, George W. Morrison, Madison S. Blair, Edward Farris, Homer McKinley, Clyde Bartlett, William Kenna West and Nancy Teets Sinclair, and William Lee, the latter a son of Mrs. Lina Lee, who taught hundreds of children the right from the wrong way.

#### VILLAGE GRIST MILL

Below is given a list of owners and operators of the West Milford grist mill: Joseph Clemans, Benjamin Clemans, George Golden, who married Nancy Shinn; Thomas Marion Smith, Bennett Rider, John R. Lynch, Charles Wesley Post, Edward Steele, E. Thaddeus Post and R. C. Helmick.



## A FINE TRIBUTE

It must be a constant source of pride and gratification to those comprising these rosters of playmates, schoolmates and childhood friends and sweethearts, and their numerous descendants, to be able to truthfully affirm that each and all of these little tots of long ago attained to the highest type of manhood and womanhood. May there be more men and women like them in the years to come.

## DR. BENJAMIN DOLBEARE, EARLY EDITOR

Mrs. Lucinda Earle Patton Highland recalls a visit to the printing establishment of William Cooper, Clarksburg, then editor of *Cooper's Register*, sixty-nine years ago. Her step-grandfather, Dr. Benjamin Dolbeare, was an early Clarksburg editor, and a member of the Virginia Legislature from Randolph County, 1828-1829, and a brilliant writer and public speaker. Dr. Benjamin Dolbeare's sister, Lucy Dolbeare (born January 8, 1786, died October 26, 1863), became on April 1, 1820, the second wife of Rev. Lorenzo Dow (born October 16, 1777, died February 2, 1834), the great Methodist missionary, who in the pioneer days traveled through the wilds of America, as well as through Europe. His books, now very rare, were printed in 1804 and his complete works were published in 1854, twenty years after his demise. Rev. Lorenzo Dow joined the Masonic Lodge December 25, 1824, and the Masonic medal which he then purchased and had his name engraved upon it was given by his widow in 1860 to Ebenezer Wilson Patton of Clarksburg, Mrs. Highland's father.

## SCION OF DEMOCRACY

Dr. Benjamin Dolbeare removed to Clarksburg from Beverly, Randolph County, Virginia, circa 1838, one of the foremost editors, writers and physicians of his time. He was owner and editor from May 30, 1840, to the date of his death June 7, 1854, of the *Clarksburg Virginian*, the *Clarksburg Democrat*, the *Scion of Democracy* and the *Independent Democrat*.

Doctor Dolbeare performed a surgical operation in the early part of 1854 upon the then youthful Thomas W. Tinsman, born December 23, 1846, and who is now (1928) residing in Clarksburg, and is active and vigorous.

Doctor Dolbeare graduated from Dartmouth University, Hanover, New Hampshire, in 1812. His daughter, Martha Jane Dol-







beare (born September 21, 1826, died April 22, 1887), became on February 1, 1855, the third wife of Mrs. Lucinda Earle Patton Highland's father, Ebenezer Wilson Patton, attorney, merchant, civil engineer; Doctor Dolbeare's son, Lorenzo Dow Dolbeare (born March 21, 1825, died October 8, 1885), was a graduate of the Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, 1861. He married and left descendants.

Hon. Granville Davisson Hall, author of *Daughter of the Elm*, in his sketch book published in 1907, called *Old Gold*, refers to Lorenzo Dow Dolbeare in part as follows:

"He (Lorenzo Dow Dolbeare) was a nephew of the celebrated pioneer preacher of a former generation, Lorenzo Dow, for whom he had been named. He was short and stout of figure and the best groomed man I had ever known; looked always as just out of a bath; in summer dressed in spotless linen, with polished shoes, and was as dapper and exquisite as any city dandy. He had beautiful teeth, which were his especial pride. His father had been editor of a county paper, and the son had grown up in an intellectual atmosphere. Through this gentleman, I was led into a small literary adventure. He has been dead many years. We never met after I left his village; and when I recall him as he was then—gay, clean-minded, high-souled, gentle but proud—I am sorry life's currents did not bring us together in later years."

#### MARRIED AT AGE FIFTEEN

Lucinda Earle Patton Highland was united in marriage January 25, 1867, with Captain John Edgar Highland, born October 19, 1832, school teacher, merchant and farmer, son of Jacob Highland, farmer and county court justice, prior to the formation of West Virginia, who was born near Clarksburg, Virginia, September 4, 1808, and grandson of John Highland, the pioneer who was born at Newport, Christiana Hundred, Newcastle County, Delaware, August 21, 1770, and who died in Clarksburg, Harrison County, Virginia, December 1, 1814, where he and his family settled October 1, 1806.

#### JOHN EDGAR HIGHLAND STUDENT AT NORTHWESTERN ACADEMY

John Edgar Highland, above mentioned, attended school at the Northwestern Academy, Clarksburg, in 1858-1859. He roomed and boarded at the pleasant homestead of Mrs. Mary Ann Stealey Baker, wife of Isaac Baker, merchant, and widow of Edmond K. Stealey, and daughter of James and Anna Steele,



in the old brick house which is still standing on the northwest side of Milford Street, between Baker Avenue and Nicholas Street, Clarksburg. He later stayed at the Ebert House, then owned by Walter Ebert, the hatter and innkeeper, on the northwest corner of Pike and Third streets, now known as the Deison House, owned by Edward B. Deison and others.

Among his schoolmates were: Richard T. Lowndes, Clarksburg's foremost citizen; Nathan Goff; Solomon D. Gore, father of Governor Howard Mason Gore and the Gore brothers, of Clarksburg, and the elder Stealey boys, all of whom he esteemed highly.

#### MOTHER OF SIX CHILDREN

Six children were born to Capt. John Edgar Highland and Lucinda Earle Patton Highland, all of whom are actively identified with numerous business interests of the state, and with the exception of the demise of Capt. John Edgar Highland, May 4, 1903, there has not been a death in the family for the last sixty-one years. "Should you be last returning home, I'll greet thee, mate o' mine."

The children are:

Charles Bruce Highland, merchant and investments, Fairmont;

Virgil Lee Highland, president of The Empire National Bank, Clarksburg, which he was instrumental in organizing in 1903; Republican National Committeeman for West Virginia; owner of the *Clarksburg Telegram*; and long associated with the development of the natural resources of the upper Monongahela Valley;

Franklin Earle Highland, head of the Highland Brothers and Gore retail shoe house;

Isophene Highland Tetrick, wife of Emory Ellis Tetrick, Fairmont;

Senator Cecil Blaine Highland, investments, realty, coal, oil and gas interests; and

Scotland G. Highland, general manager of the Clarksburg water plant and system, since February 1, 1906.

#### ORPHAN AT AGE THREE

Mrs. Highland's mother, Sarah Ann Carder Patton, who died at West Milford, Virginia, July 13, 1854, leaving her little daughter, Lucinda Earle, without a mother's tender care, at the age of three years, was born at the beautiful and picturesque Village





of Beverly, Randolph County, Virginia, July 12, 1826, daughter of James and Lucinda Earle Carder. She was united in marriage July 6, 1847, at the Northwestern Hotel, Clarksburg, then conducted by her father, James Carder, with Ebenezer Wilson Patton, of West Milford, son of Col. Alexander Lewis Patton, justice of the Harrison County, Virginia, Court, 1834-1835, and 1846-1847, and grandson of William Patton, Harrison County pioneer, who settled on Duck Creek, Harrison County, then Virginia, 128 years ago.

#### COLONEL OF ELEVENTH REGIMENT

Col. Alexander Lewis Patton was promoted to the rank of colonel in the Eleventh Regiment of Virginia Militia, of which he had long been a major, by Governor John Tyler, of Virginia, April 18, 1826, in the room of Jonathan Jackson, deceased. At an earlier period, in the year 1815, James Pindall was lieutenant colonel of this regiment, and George I. Davisson was major. These pioneers were prominent Clarksburg lawyers.

#### HONORED BY GOVERNOR JOHNSON

Ebenezer Wilson Patton was an attorney-at-law, presiding justice of the Harrison County Court, 1857-1858, merchant and civil engineer. A theodolite (transit-compass) was presented to him by Governor Joseph Johnson of Virginia in 1852 in recognition by the State of Virginia of meritorious services rendered by him to the state as a civil engineer on pioneer highway projects in Harrison County.

#### PRESIDING COURT JUSTICE

The following is the official record of the election of Ebenezer Wilson Patton as presiding justice of the Harrison County Court:

"At a court held for the County of Harrison at the courthouse on the 10th day of August, 1857, and in the 82nd year of the commonwealth. Present:

"Jacob M. Eib, president; Benjamin F. Shuttleworth, Cornelius Lawson, Dr. John C. Lowther, Elijah Watkins, Richard Fowkes, William Stewart, J. B. Wright, William S. Wilkinson, A. Radcliff, Jefferson B. West, David Bassell, S. M. Ogden, Hiram J. Lynch, John W. Swiger, A. A. Shaw, Ebenezer Wilson Patton, and J. J. Young, gentlemen, associate justices.



“Court Order:

“Jacob M. Eib, Esquire, having at the last term tendered his resignation as presiding justice of this court, and all of the justices of this county, having been summoned to fill said vacancy, and a majority being present, the court proceeded to elect a presiding justice.

“Whereupon, a vote being had, Ebenezer Wilson Patton was duly declared elected presiding justice of this court.”

#### DEMOCRATIC LEADER

Ebenezer Wilson Patton was one of Harrison County's active Democratic leaders for a quarter of a century prior to his sudden death in his law offices in Clarksburg, October 28, 1879. He was a close personal friend, kinsman and political advisor of Attorney Charles S. Lewis, born February 26, 1821, who was elected judge of the Circuit Court of Harrison County in 1872, ably serving in that capacity until his death, January 22, 1878. He was succeeded by Judge A. Brooks Fleming in the same year. Judge Fleming afterward became governor of West Virginia, serving from February 6, 1890, to March 4, 1893, with notable distinction.

#### CONCLUSION

This concludes the natal day narrative of one of the earth's sixteen hundred million faithful human beings, who has always “plucked a thistle and planted a flower in its place wherever a flower would grow.”

















